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Potential for outbreak

District Health warns of disease spread by ticks

By Ariel Hansen
Times-News writer

SHOSHONE — Livestock in rural Lincoln County have been diagnosed with a bacterial disease spread by ticks, South Central District Health said Thursday. The bacteria, tularemia, can spread to humans and can cause serious illness or death if not treated quickly.

"The potential is there, so we want to encourage prevention," said Cheryl Becker, epidemiologist with District Health. "If you are walking through the brush, prevent ticks from getting on you in the first place."

District Health reported that at least 10 Magic Valley cows have died of infections caused by tularemia spread by ticks, Becker said, but no human cases have been diagnosed. Tularemia is also known as "rabbit fever."

To avoid exposure to the bacteria, protect your skin from ticks. Wear long pants when hiking, hunting or working with farm animals, and tuck the pant legs into your socks. Ticks are more easily seen on light-colored clothing, but look closely: They can be as small as poppy seeds.

"If you are in the desert there — Blaine, Panguitch, Mittenka counties — I'm sure there are ticks out there," Becker said. "It's going to be in the brush, the sagebrush, where you're going to see most of the ticks."

Consider applying a government-approved repellent containing permethrin or DEET, and closely follow directions on the canister. DEET lasts for only a few hours, and children have been known to have adverse reactions to large amounts of the chemical, so use it with caution. Avoid natural products that have not been approved by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency because they may not protect against the spread of disease, Becker said.

Ticks can travel on pets, too, so check them carefully when coming inside from tick habitat. With your veterinarian, discuss using collars, shampoos and repellent on pets. Ticks and insects won't travel long distances or jump from one carrier to another. They spread through direct

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Symptoms of tularemia

Common symptoms: sudden fever, chills, headaches, diarrhea, muscle aches, joint pain, dry cough and progressive weakness.

Other symptoms: ulcers on the skin or mouth, swollen and painful lymph glands, swollen and painful eyes, and a sore throat. Possibly pneumonia, chest pain, bloody sputum and breathing trouble; untreated, some cases are fatal.

Symptoms usually appear within three to five days of a tick bite but can take up to 14 days to appear. Seek treatment — antibiotics — right away.

The disease does not spread from person to person, and infected patients don't need to be isolated.

A serious act



Marcus Schaal wears 'drunk goggles' and fake blood as he and his friend Matt Hanchey, on the hood of the car, simulate an accident caused by drunk-driving. Twin Falls High School students, the Twin Falls Police Department, the Twin Falls Fire Department, paramedics and a Life Flight crew and helicopter were present at the fake accident that was held in front of about 100 high school seniors.

Gory details aim to deter students from driving while drunk

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — He was too drunk to walk, let alone drive.

But Marcus Schaal, a senior at Twin Falls High School, didn't realize his mistake until it was too late.

When he regained consciousness he noticed that Matt Hanchey, who was riding in the passenger seat, had been thrown through the windshield and onto the hood of the car. He was covered in blood and Schaal couldn't get him to wake up.

When Schaal lumbered out of his vehicle he saw two girls slitting motionless inside the car he had



Only an act

Visit magicvalley.com to see a stillshot of the scene that played out Thursday afternoon at Twin Falls High School.

slammed into. It was a night mare, but fortunately it was only an act.

The act was part of an event Thursday afternoon at Twin Falls High School to remind students about the dangers of driving while under the influence of alcohol.

"Each year we do something called 'Every 15 Minutes,' which is recog-

nized all over Idaho and other states to remind us that basically every 15 minutes someone is killed in a drunk-driving accident," said Abby McNeley, student body vice president. "But this year we decided to do something different and show students how fast drinking and driving can take someone's life."

The scene was acted out by Twin Falls High School seniors as well as Twin Falls police and fire departments. A Life Flight helicopter was even called in to carry away one of the "injured" passengers.

Despite the real-life props and

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A chance to prove her innocence

Woman accused of smothering a child says several factors working against her

By Cassidy Friedman
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A woman accused of killing a 2-year-old boy says she is not being given a fair chance to prove her innocence.

False testimony, a prejudiced jury pool, an inconclusive autopsy and a violation of due process are among the counter-allegations Elizabeth Anne Miller, 22, made

on April 20. The prosecutor has charged Miller with first-degree murder in the Jan. 12 smothering of Ashlyn Roger Lynn against a couch in Miller's apartment. Although Miller said she did not intend to kill Ashlyn, the prosecutor said that under Idaho law, the state does not need to prove intent because the victim is under 12 years old.

Among reasons for Miller's protests: A forensic pathologist told a grand jury Ashlyn was healthy while Miller says she planned to take Ashlyn to the hospital the next day for "a very bad cough." Miller's attorney said, "The forensic pathologist also said 'I think... (the cause of death) could be pure smothering' when, in fact, an autopsy failed to establish a cause of death."

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Bridge body ID'd

Toxicology results pending

By Cassidy Friedman
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A man whose body was discovered Monday evening on the south side of the Snake River Canyon near the Perrine Bridge has been tentatively identified as Scott William Carter, 35, of Jerome.

What killed Carter, whose positive identification may be confirmed through DNA or dental records, is still unknown.

His father, Terry Carter, said Thursday afternoon that methamphetamine is to blame for Carter's death. "I don't know what he was on," he said. "I'm in mourning," Terry Carter said. "Drugs killed him and the sooner they get methamphetamine off the street, the better."

He said he called police after seeing County patrol cars parked in the visitor parking lot at the south end of the bridge earlier this week.

"His dad actually called in," said Nancy Howell, spokeswoman for the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office. "We put out a description and it said his son's description."

Carter had not been reported missing, Howell said.

His father was one of several callers who reported a possible match to the described white man, between 30 to 40 years old, about 6 feet tall with medium build, and short brown hair and facial hair that was released Tuesday by the Sheriff's Office.

A truck called 911-dispatch just after 5 p.m. Monday to report finding the body. Carter's body had reached an "advanced state of decomposition," according to a press release issued Tuesday by the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office.

Carter was not wearing a parachute or a harness, Howell said. A forensic anthropologist is scheduled to examine the body. Toxicology results are pending.

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Kindergartners learn lessons about saving

By Chris Steinbach
Times-News writer

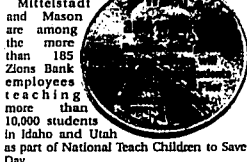
TWIN FALLS — About 60 kindergartners learned a lifelong lesson Thursday morning at Oregon Trail Elementary School.

"The more money you save, the more you can buy," Jessie Mittelstadt, a banker at Zions Bank in Twin Falls, told the students.

Mittelstadt and her banking colleague, Jeff Mason, gave a 20-minute lesson on savings to the students in classes taught by Anza Palmer, Suzanne Olson and Judi Baxter. A second session was held in the afternoon in

the class taught by Erin Brittain.

Mittelstadt and Mason are among the more than 185 Zions Bank employees teaching more than 10,000 students in Idaho and Utah as part of National Teach Children to Save Day.



For the first time since the Great Depression, the average savings rate of Americans dropped into negative numbers

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Judi Baxter, a kindergarten teacher at Oregon Trail Elementary School, helps with a lesson Thursday on saving money. Employees from Zions Bank led the lesson in classes taught by Baxter, Anza Palmer, Suzanne Olson and Erin Brittain as part of National Teach Children to Save Day.

TODAY'S FORECAST

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TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Disney High School Musical, presented by Valley Theater company, 6:30 p.m. doors open at 7 p.m. curtain, Valley School, Old Gym, 882 Valley Road S., Hazelton, 829-5353.
Willie and Robert Reale's "A Year with Frog and Toad," 7 p.m., Liberty Theater, Halley, \$18 for adults and senior citizens and \$10 for children, 578-9122.
Mt. Harriett Debutantes auditions for the Summer Melodrama, with a cast of 21; bring acting resume (including acting honors) and prepare for hardy or comic reading, 7 p.m., Wilson Theater, Rupert, 215-5683.
"Shakespeare's "Macbeth," by the CSI theater department, 8 p.m., Fine Arts Theater, CSI, \$8 for adults and \$8 for students and senior citizens, 732-6781 or 732-6788.
Pope Concert 2007 "Movie Magic," presented by the Magic Valley Symphony including "Disney Magic," "Star Wars" and "Pirates of the Caribbean"; and a Harry Potter/Hermione Granger look-alike contest, 8 p.m., CSI Fine Arts Auditorium, Twin Falls, \$8 for adults, \$7 senior citizens and \$5 students, 732-6781.
Cowboy Poets Gatherin'! with musicians, poet and storytellers from the Western United States, 7 to 10 p.m., American Legion Hall, Hageman, \$8; 837-9131.

BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS

The Seventh Annual Canyon Rim Dance Classic, 2 to 10 p.m., CSI gym, \$6 for adults and \$4 for students and senior citizens, proceeds to American Cancer Society, 732-6261.
Drop off and donate items to yard sale for Andrew Pike, 4 to 8 p.m., The Duke Salon and Elements Spa, northwest corner of Locust Grove Business Park, corner of Locust and Falls, 733-8600.
Hands On presents Salsa/Diva Night, an evening of pottery painting, music, treats, prizes and fun to raise funds for the Relay for Life, 7 to 10 p.m., Hands On, 147 Shoshone St. N., 736-4475 for reservations or robdo@cableone.net.

EDUCATION

Brown Bag Lecture Series, Russell Tremayne on "The History of the Twin Falls Canal Company," noon, Twin Falls Public Library, no cost, 734-2787.

EXHIBITS

College of Southern Idaho Student Art Show, the largest art show of the year, 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Jean B. King Gallery, Herrett Center for Arts and Science, CSI campus, no cost, 732-8655.
Smithsonian Institution: Celebrating American Roots Music, the Smithsonian Institution's Museum on Main Street exhibit, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., Burley Public Library, 1300 Miller Ave., no cost, 878-7708.
Twin Falls Senior and Junior high schools art-student-combined exhibit in the Full/Moon Gallery, "Floral Perspectives" in oil and acrylic by Rosi Martinez-Eckert in the Galeria Pequena; and photographic images by Jackie Plastino in the reception area and foyer, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Main Street Plaza, 132 Main Ave. S., Historic Downtown Twin Falls, no cost, 734-2787.

FAMILY

"Youth Options," activities for young people ages 13-19, 7 to 10 p.m., The Salvation Army, 348 Fourth Ave. N., \$2, 733-8720.

GOVERNMENT

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 738-4088.

HOME AND GARDEN

The Wood River Home and Garden Show, with lunch provided by the Wood River High School band and a drawing for a barbecue, 6 to 9 p.m., Wood River High School, 1050 Fox Acres Road, Halley, 678-0744 or 670-0660.

To have an event listed, please submit the name of the event, a brief description, time, place, cost and contact number to Suzanne Browne by e-mail, sbrowne@magicvalley.com; by fax, 734-5538; or by mail, Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548. Deadline is noon, four days in advance of the event.

COMING TOMORROW

Prayer for a day

Magic Valley churches join hands for National Day of Prayer next week.

SATURDAY IN RELIGION

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Father and son open turkey season

"Dad, Dad! He's right there!" Doug hissed. Before I could see the tom or react there was a blast 10 yards behind me and to the left. Doug had topped the tom with a charge of No. 4 lead shot from his 20-gauge pump gun.

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Body found under Perrine Bridge identified

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Teens get a glimpse of drunk-driving dangers

TWIN FALLS — Twin Falls High School seniors participated in a drunk-driving simulation on Thursday. The real-life props and special effects made it hard for them to ignore the gruesome details of the scene.

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Students learn some tips on saving money

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Accused says she's not getting a fair chance

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Sawtooth spokesman to retire after 41 years

TWIN FALLS — Since there were trees, there's been Ed Waldapfel, spokesman for the U.S. Forest Service's Sawtooth National Forest. Ed retires next week after nearly a half-century with the Forest Service.

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CSI, police academy form partnership

TWIN FALLS — CSI opened the second floor of the Canyon Building to Peace Officer Standards and Training as part of a partnership agreement formed Monday between POST Executive Director Jeffrey Black and CSI President Dr. Jerry Beck at a CSI board meeting.

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Wendell to celebrate Arbor Day on Saturday

WENDELL — Today is Arbor Day, but Wendell won't celebrate the tree-planting holiday until Saturday. Many activities are planned that day, said Karen Isaacson, chairwoman for the Gem Team.

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OBITUARIES

Robert Johnson, 49
 Ross C. Martnez, 88
 Frank Rui Kearns, 90
 Eileen Mae Browning Cunningham, 92

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Two bingo operators face fines, prison

BOISE — A pair of Idaho bingo parlor operators face thousands of dollars in fines and years in a federal prison after they were convicted Thursday in U.S. District Court of conspiracy to defraud federal tax collectors. William J. Tway, a suspended lawyer from Boise, and Robert J. Ford, run Big Bucks Bingo in Garden City just west of Idaho's capital. No sentencing date has been set, but both men face a maximum five years in prison and a \$250,000 fine in the case brought by the Internal Revenue Service.

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Judge defends venue change in murder trial

BOISE — The second murder trial of Erick Virgil Hall will likely begin in September, but 4th District Judge Thomas Neville has yet to decide where. Hall is charged with a first-degree murder in the rape and strangulation of Cheryl Ann Hanlon, whose body was found in March 2003 in the foothills north of Boise. He has already been sentenced to death for the 2000 murder and rape of New York flight attendant Lynn Henneman, whose body was discovered along the Boise greenbelt.

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Ex-police officer faces trial for stolen guns

RIGBY — A former Idaho Falls police officer accused of possessing two guns allegedly stolen by a former Idaho Falls prosecutor from the city's evidence room must stand trial in eastern Idaho has ruled. Todd Ericsson was charged in November with two counts of grand theft by possession of stolen firearms.

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Suspect says victim shot during struggle

SANDPOINT, Idaho — A man who police say is being investigated in the death of a northern Idaho man said that the two struggled for control of a rifle during a confrontation.

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Rape rate high among Native American women

One in three Native American women will be raped at some point in their lives, a rate that is more than double that for non-Indian women, according to a new report by Amnesty International.

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NATION/WORLD

Virginia Tech students preach forgiveness



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BLACKSBURG, Va. — He killed 32 people in the worst shooting in modern U.S. history, but Seung-Hui Cho has been the subject of surprisingly little outrage at Virginia Tech. He is memorialized alongside his victims, and students in this deeply religious area preach forgiveness and talk about him like a troubled family member.

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N.J. governor thankful after surviving crash

CAMDEN, N.J. — Gov. Jon S. Corzine, speaking publicly for the first time since he was seriously injured in an auto mobile crash two weeks ago, said Thursday that he feels blessed. Sitting in a chair next to his bed, Corzine appeared in good spirits as he posed for his first public photographs since the April 12 crash on the Garden State Parkway.

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Study finds genetic risk factors for diabetes

WASHINGTON — Scientists have found clusters of new gene variants that raise the risk of Type 2 diabetes — and how the researchers did it is as important as what they found. In one of the largest studies yet of human genetic variability, the scientists tested the DNA of more than 32,000 people in five countries to pin down spots that harbor genetic risk factors for this complicated killer.

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Olympic torch plans run afoul of politics

BEIJING — China's grandiose plans for the torch relay, the high-profile prelude to the 2008 Beijing Olympics, have been engulfed in conflict by an old political rival — Taiwan. After Beijing's announcement of what would be the longest torch relay in Olympic history, Taiwan rejected its inclusion.

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SPORTS



CSI softball: One big chance

TWIN FALLS — It all comes down to this. The first-year College of Southern Idaho softball program has nearly come full circle. Nine weeks ago, the fledgling Golden Eagles toured through Henderson, Nev., as a 5-11 team still unsure of its place in the Scenic West Athletic Conference.

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Former BSU linebacker awaits NFL draft

TWIN FALLS — Waiting really is the hardest part. Glenn Ferry, former Boise State Bronco linebacker Kory Hall and his family are awaiting what could be one of the biggest weekends of his life — the 2007 NFL draft.

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SWAC baseball: Who's No. 1?

TWIN FALLS — Two wins in one weekend? No sweat. At least it hasn't been for the No. 13 College of Southern Idaho baseball team which has failed to win at least two of four Scenic West Athletic Conference series games only once this season. The 39-12 Golden Eagles lost three of four games at Nevada Community College on March 3-4 and have only split two series 2-2.

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Golden Eagles' Amy Bratvold going to EWU

TWIN FALLS — The opportunity and the right to dream big are not mutually exclusive. Twin Falls native Amy Bratvold, like any other player, has always had the opportunity to dream about playing women's basketball at the NCAA Division I level.

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WEB READER REACTION

On the letter 'Gun lobby's solution to violence makes matters worse'

W. LANE STARTIN: "... gun control is a bandaid at best. It doesn't address the much deeper issues inherent in violence in our society. Russia has had its fair share of serial killers and mass murderers ... The reason they're much less known is because there was no freedom of press there, but there was plenty of gun control. There's simply nothing to be gained in gun control ..."



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Senate passes bill to pull troops out of Iraq

Move paves way for veto showdown with President Bush

By David Espo
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Call it mission accomplished for the new Democratic-controlled Congress after 113 days in power.

In a bold wartime challenge to President Bush, Congress cleared legislation Thursday to begin withdrawal of U.S. troops from Iraq by Oct. 1 with a goal of a complete pullout six months later.

The White House dismissed the legislation as "dead before arrival."

The 51-46 Senate vote was largely along party lines, and like House passage a day ear-

lier it underscored the opposition of congressional Democrats to the war's continuation. The two-thirds majority needed to override a Bush veto.

Democrats marked Thursday's final passage with a news conference during which they repeatedly urged Bush to reconsider his veto threat. "This bill for the first time gives the president of the United States an exit strategy" from Iraq, said Rep.

David Obey of Wisconsin. The legislation is "in keeping with what the American people want," added Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid of Nevada.

The White House was unmoved. "The president's determined to win in Iraq, I think the bill that they sent us today is mission defeated," said deputy press secretary Dana Perino. "This bill is dead before arrival."

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special effects, nobody could overlook the gruesome detail of the scene.

"That was intentional because, in a way, we want this to have some shock value," said Staff Sgt. Dennis Pullin. "Senior graduation is coming up soon, and we hope that they will know how real this can be."

For some students, the sight of a peer lying 'dead' on the hood of a car seemed a little exaggerated, but for others it was an awakening to the dangers of driving while under the influence. However, most students seemed to grasp the significance of the scene when

Schaal was handcuffed and driven away in the back of a police car.

"It definitely changed the way I thought about things like this," said Chelsea Abramowski, a senior at Twin Falls High school. "I think it was really a good experience for us — especially because we will have prom soon and it might change some people's minds about drinking and driving."

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Twin Falls High School seniors Chelsea Layton, right, and Kara Maloney react to the simulated accident that students acted out Thursday afternoon with the help of local law enforcement and Life Flight in the parking lot of the high school's auditorium.

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Ticks

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contact with plants or animal feces or secondary contact with items like bedding. Do a full-body check when returning from potentially tick-infested desert areas. Use a mirror to check all parts of your body — especially hair — or have someone else do so.

"I've had people say they've had them in all kinds of places, so you need to check all over your body," Becker said. "They can be easy to miss."

If a tick is found, remove it using tweezers or a notched tick extractor, and protect your fingers with tissue or gloves. Grasp the tick as close to the skin as possible, and pull upward with steady pressure. If the mouth parts of the tick break off and remain in the skin, consult a health care provider. Try not to squeeze the tick, because its body fluids may contain infectious organisms.

Miller

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when, in fact, an autopsy failed to establish a cause of death.

"These kinds of motions are not unusual," said Twin Falls County Prosecuting Attorney Grant Loebs. "They are standard in serious cases and we will address the points one by one at the proper time in the proper forum."

The prosecutor's office will soon write its rebuttal.

Miller's attorney, Public Defender Marilyn Paul, recreated the scene depicted in a police affidavit from the moment the cops were called in through Miller's indictment.

The counter-allegations begin when the driver drew incriminating evidence from Miller in violation of her Miranda rights, wrote Paul in a motion to dismiss the case.

According to the affidavit, police read Miller her Miranda rights before questioning her.

Then Paul argued the media have ruined her client's chance of finding an impartial jury in Twin Falls County.

"It is possible for pretrial publicity to be so unfair, so prejudicial and so pervasive that the court cannot give credence to the answers of

What does a tick look like?

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To see drawings of ticks, South Central District Health recommends visiting the Web site of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention at www.cdc.gov.

"It's a very precise operation because they're so tiny," Becker said.

After removal, thoroughly disinfect the site of the bite with iodine, rubbing alcohol or water containing detergents. Save the tick for identification by freezing it in a plastic bag marked with the date of the bite; if an infection develops, offer the tick to your doctor.

Don't use petroleum jelly or hot matches to remove the tick, as these methods may irritate it and cause it to exude infectious fluids.

Saving

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last year, according to the U.S. Department of Commerce. And the Myvesta Foundation says average Americans spend \$1.22 for every \$1 they earn.

Many Idahoans are no different than other consumers when it comes to saving. Per capita income in Idaho ranks in the bottom third nationally, while consumer debt hovers in the top third among all states, according to the Idaho Financial Literacy Coalition.

It's never too early to learn about saving, Mittelstadt said. "Especially in this day and age."

She and Mason introduced the students to Penny and her "friends," Nickel, Dime and Quarter.

"By herself, Penny can't do much," Mittelstadt said. "With her friends, she can do a lot."

The students were given pages on which they drew and colored pennies, nickels and dimes in a jar.

"When you put the coins in a jar, it's called saving," Mittelstadt said.

Said Mason: "Penny can also work in a bank. A bank is a place where you can save money. We pay you for leaving your money there. We call that interest."

Afterward, Mason and Mittelstadt, who is an Idaho State University senior educa-

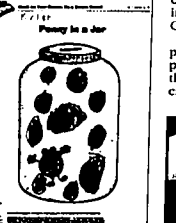


Illustration by Kyler Schultz, a kindergarten art at Oregon Trail Elementary School, completed a coloring exercise Thursday as part of National Teach Children to Save Day.

tion major at the College of Southern Idaho, said it was a challenge to teach kindergartners about the concept of saving.

The students, however, vocally appeared to enjoy the lesson.

"It sounds like a beehive," Baxter said.

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NATION

Massive study finds new genetic risk factors for Type 2 diabetes

By Lauren Hoagwood
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Scientists have found clusters of new gene variants that raise the risk of Type 2 diabetes — and how the researchers did it is as important as what they found.

In one of the largest studies yet of human genetic variability, the scientists tested the DNA of more than 32,000 people in five countries to pin down spots that harbor genetic risk factors for this complicated killer.

This type of research — called a "genome-wide association" study — promises to usher in a new era of genetics. Most breakthroughs so far have come from finding a mutation in a single gene that causes illness. But some of the world's most common killers, such as heart disease and diabetes, are caused by complex interactions among numerous genes and modern lifestyles — and teasing out the genetic culprits until now has been almost impossible.

"We have been for all of the last decade or more looking under the lamppost to try to find those genes ... and lots of times the lamppost was not actually where we wanted it,"

said Dr. Francis Collins, genetics chief at the National Institutes of Health, a co-author of the research unveiled Thursday.

This new approach "allows us to light up the whole street, and look what we find."

What? Four previously unknown gene variants that can increase people's risk of Type 2 diabetes, and confirmation that six other genes play a role, too.

The work, by three international research teams that shared their findings, was published online Thursday by the Journal Science.

Next, the researchers will have to figure out just what those genes do, in hopes they'll point toward new ways to treat or prevent a disease that affects more than 170 million people worldwide, and rising.

With Type 2 diabetes, the body gradually loses its ability to use insulin, a hormone key for turning blood sugar into insulin. It is a major cause of heart disease, as high blood sugar damages blood vessels, and leads to kidney failure, blindness and amputations.

Obesity and lack of exercise are chief risk factors. But heredity is involved, too:

People with an affected parent or sibling are at 3.5 times greater risk of developing diabetes than people from diabetes-free families.

The new work scanned DNA to find patterns of small gene variations known as SNPs (pronounced "snips") more common in diabetes. SNPs can serve as signposts for tracing disease-promoting genes. To be certain the implicated SNPs were involved, the researchers then checked for them in still more volunteers, ultimately testing DNA from 32,500 women in Britain, Finland, Poland, Sweden and the U.S.

The highest-risk variants can increase by 20 percent someone's odds of developing Type 2 diabetes, the teams reported.

Among the genes implicated, one that helps pump zinc into insulin-producing pancreatic cells, raising questions about the metal's role in insulin secretion.

A pair previously linked only to certain cancers, another brand new area for diabetes researchers to probe.

A region of chromosome 11 where genes of any sort had never been described.

N.J. governor says he is blessed after surviving crash

CAMDEN, N.J. (AP) — Gov. Jon S. Corzine, speaking publicly for the first time since he was seriously injured in an automobile crash two weeks ago, said Thursday that he feels blessed.



Corzine

Sitting in a chair next to his bed, Corzine appeared in good spirits as he posed for his first public photograph since the April 12 crash on the Garden State Parkway.

"I'm the most blessed person who ever lived," Corzine told an Associated Press photographer in his hospital room.

Corzine did not allow a reporter to interview him. His only comment was made during a five-minute session with the photographer.

Alides had said he is not likely to resume the duties of his job while in the hospital.

The governor badly fractured his left thigh and broke 11 ribs, his breastbone, collarbone, and a vertebra. He underwent three operations, and an inserted metal rod stabilizes his leg. For more than a week, he was on a ventilator and got nutrition through a feeding tube.

He is now able to talk again and is eating food including pancakes, cheeseburgers and protein shakes.

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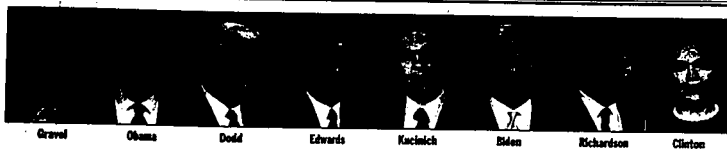
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NATION



Iraq war dominates first Democratic debate

By Neira Pickard
Associated Press writer

ORANGEBURG, S.C.—Democratic presidential hopefuls flashed their anti-war credentials Thursday night and heaped criticism on President Bush's Iraq policy in an early first debate of the 2008 campaign.

"The first day I would get us out of Iraq by diplomacy," said New Mexico Gov. Bill Richardson, one of eight rivals on the debate stage.

"If this president does not get us out of Iraq, when I am president, I will," pledged Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton of New York.

But Clinton found herself on the receiving end of criticism

moments later when former North Carolina Sen. John Edwards said she or anyone else who voted to authorize the war should "search their conscience."

Edwards, in the Senate at the time, also cast his vote for the invasion, but he has since apologized for it.

Of the eight foes participating in the debate at South Carolina State University, four voted earlier in the day to support legislation that cleared Congress and requires the beginning of a troop withdrawal by Oct. 1. The legislation sets a goal of a complete withdrawal by April 1, 2008.

"We are one signature away from ending this war," said Sen. Barack Obama, D-Ill. He

said if Bush won't change his mind about vetoing the bill, Democrats need to work on rounding up enough Republican votes to override him.

In addition to Obama and Clinton, Sens. Joe Biden of Delaware and Chris Dodd of Connecticut also cast votes earlier in the day in favor of the legislation.

Former Alaska Sen. Mike Gravel and Rep. Dennis Kucinich of Ohio also participated in the debate.

Bush is barred by the Constitution from running for re-election next fall, and the result is an extraordinarily early start to the campaign to succeed him.

The debate — nine months

before the kickoff Iowa caucus — was 90 minutes long without opening or closing statements from the candidates. Instead, each of the eight fielded questions in turn. That made for a rapid-fire debate but prevented follow-up questions when any of the eight sidestepped — as when Clinton and Biden avoided answering when asked whether they agreed with Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid's assessment that the Iraq war is lost.

While Iraq dominated the debate's early moments, Edwards was asked about having paid for a \$400 haircut from campaign donations rather than from his own wallet.

Atlanta police officers charged in death of 92-year-old woman

By Harry R. Weber
Associated Press writer

ATLANTA — Two police officers pleaded guilty Thursday to manslaughter and other charges in the shooting death of a 92-year-old woman during a botched drug raid at her home last fall.

Officer J.R. Smith, who also agreed to resign from the police department, told a state judge that he regretted what had happened.

"I'm sorry," the 35-year-old said, his voice barely audible. He pleaded guilty to manslaughter, violation of oath, criminal solicitation, making false statements and perjury, which was based on untrue claims in a no-knock warrant obtained to enter Kathryn Johnston's home on Nov. 21.

Former Officer Gregg Junnier, 40, who retired from the Atlanta police in January, pleaded guilty to manslaughter, violation of oath, criminal solicitation and making false statements under the plea deal. Both men are expected to face more than 10 years in prison.

In a hearing later in federal court, both pleaded guilty to a single charge of conspiracy to violate a person's civil rights, resulting in death. Their state and federal sentences would

run concurrently, and both men agreed to help investigators with their probe into the activities of Atlanta narcotics officers.

The charges followed a Nov. 21 "no-knock" drug raid on Johnston's home. An informant had described buying drugs from a dealer there, police said. When the officers burst in without warning, Johnston fired at them, and they fired back, killing her.

This individual has been classified as a High Risk Sexual Predator by the Idaho Sex Offender Classification Board.



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EDITORIAL

Parents shouldn't cross line with alcohol for kids

While Idaho ramps up an edgy campaign against methamphetamine, the truth remains that alcohol is still the drug of choice among Idaho teens.

The numbers don't show young drinking habits waning in popularity, either.

What's worse is that some parents seem to be fueling the use — and with their own kids.

Sherri Molina, the Safe and Drug Free Schools coordinator for the Twin Falls School District, said district surveys of students show the number of students who abstained from alcohol dropped 3 percent from 2005 to 2006.

In the past, drug and alcohol addiction has remained steady in the Twin Falls area, but over the past couple of years I've really seen it starting to grow," Molina said. "I think it's growing because there is very, very easy access to drugs and alcohol."

Some of that access may be coming from the most influential adults in their lives.

"What we have seen is that some parents see alcohol as right-of-passage, and some even buy the alcohol for the parties," Molina said. "They feel that it's safer if the kids drink in a controlled environment, but this makes it really difficult for us to help that student who might have a problem."

Perhaps those guardians think they are doing their kids a favor by providing a haven for rambunctious behavior.

If kids are going to drink, they're also going to drive — so why not give them a safe spot to bend an elbow and socialize?

We aren't sure how those parents can defend that practice. But we can call that mindset blatantly stupid. The parents who throw the parties give their kids an excuse for illegal consumption, and a message of extreme tolerance to their kids' friends.

Molina said the trend with alcohol crosses all social-economic groups, and can start as early as for kids in junior high. The occasions are common with some athletic groups, prom season and graduation. Molina added that some parents also provide additional drugs to their kids, but those cases are largely from lower economic settings.

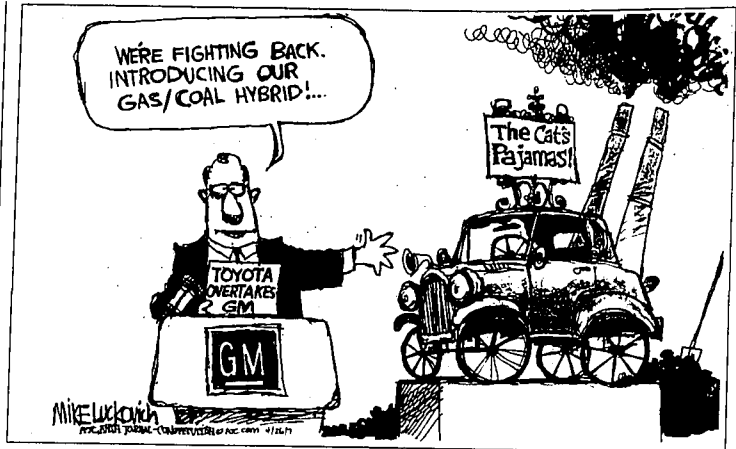
Parents who play this game are pushing a risky sense of entitlement on their kids. If they have a sponsor for their prom night or graduation high-linx, what will kids expect next? Young people need to hear that underage drinking is a flirting with disaster.

Idaho's laws aren't exactly clear on the matter. Twin Falls County Prosecutor Grant Loebis says legal exemptions allow teens to possess beer in the company of parents. The consumption of it in that company is harder to prosecute.

"But I've never seen a case asking us to charge parents for providing alcohol to their own kids," he said.

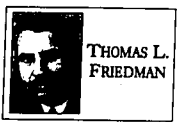
Schools, society and families need all the help they can get to fight underage drinking. The message to abstain still needs to hit closer to home.

Our view: Parents have no business providing alcohol for teenage kids and their friends. What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.



Turning the election green

The biggest energy deficit we have right now in America is the energy to lead on this issue — to overcome all the entrenched interests that have tied us in knots and left our country with what the energy expert Gal Luft calls "the sum of all lobbies" instead of the sum of the best energy practices.



THOMAS L. FRIEDMAN

OK, class, it's time for another news quiz. I'll give you the question and you tell me who asked it and why it was significant. Ready? Here goes:

"Mr. President, how would you rate yourself as an environmentalist? What specifically has your administration done to improve the condition of our nation's air and water supply?"

You'll never get it. The questioner was James Hubb, a member of the audience at the second presidential debate between George W. Bush and John Kerry at Washington University in St. Louis on Oct. 8, 2004.

What's the significance? It was the only direct question about energy or environmental policy that was posed in any of the three presidential debates in 2004. Hard to believe when you consider the salience of these issues today. Is it any wonder we still don't have a serious energy policy?

We can't afford to make this mistake again. In this election cycle, we need to hold a "Green Debate," devoted only to energy and environmental questions. I would suggest Tulane University in New Orleans on Aug. 29, 2007 — the second anniversary of Katrina. That would give the candidates, Republicans and Democrats, all summer to develop positions and it would give the voters all fall to examine them before the big primaries in February, 2008.

I would like to see each party's candidates questioned separately, so Republican voters and Democrats can each

focus on their primary candidates. The questioning should be done by a three-person panel consisting of one climate scientist, one college student, since young people will be the ones most affected by global warming.

We can't let our anol-promoting farmers in Iowa determine our energy policy any more by virtue of the early low primary. For too long, all we've had in this country is energy politics, not energy policy, and that is why we have this incoherent mess of energy systems, standards and fuels.

"A new conversation has started in the country — a new energy economy is what the people want," said Carl Pope, director of the Sierra Club. To get there, though, we need to force politicians to start thinking about going "green" as part of our national security strategy, as a Plan B for disengaging from Iraq and still driving reform in the Middle East, as an economic opportunity, as a way to restore U.S. leadership, and as an answer for climate change.

Since addressing all these issues will require a carbon tax, or a really serious cap-and-trade system, or tighter mileage and efficiency standards, i.e., sacrifice — we need our candidates to be

talking about such things in the campaign so they have a mandate to act if elected.

A group of environmental entrepreneurs, including Andrew Shapiro of GreenPrimary.org, after the Green Debate, voters can study the different candidates' policy positions and even vote for the one they think is most serious. "The 2008 presidential campaign will present the first opportunity for a national candidate to make sustainability a breakthrough electoral issue," Shapiro argues.

A new survey released last week by the Democratic polling firm Greenberg Quinlan Rosner Research, conducted for the Center for American Progress, underscores that large majorities of independents (59 percent) and Democrats (76 percent) support action now to stop global warming and make the U.S. energy-independent, along with a significant bloc of Republicans (41 percent).

"Only 27 percent of people feel that our energy policy is headed in the right direction,

while 65 percent say our energy policy is seriously off on the wrong track," the Greenberg firm said.

"Moreover, a majority of Americans (52 percent) believe the U.S. is either falling or has fallen far behind other countries in developing clean, alternative energy. Only 14 percent of people believe we lead the world in developing these technologies."

They're right. The biggest energy deficit we have right now in America is the energy to lead on this issue — to overcome all the entrenched interests that have tied us in knots and left our country with what the energy expert Gal Luft calls "the sum of all lobbies" instead of the sum of the best energy practices.

The best way to overcome that is to elevate the issue during the campaign to a level that forces everyone to put a serious energy/environmental platform on the table and build a real mandate for the next president.

Correction from my last column: HIV/AIDS kills more people in Africa than malaria.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Time to abandon the lies over NAFTA

It is past time to withdraw from the North American Free Trade Agreement by passing House Concurrent Resolution 22. This would block the Security and Prosperity Partnership-North American Union that is combining Mexico, Canada and the United States into a regional government run by unelected bureaucrats. This according to a plan developed by the Council on Foreign Relations who is striving for world government.

lostest Henry Kissinger (CFR member) said in 1993 that the passage of NAFTA "will represent the most creative step toward a new world order taken by any group of countries... and a first step toward a free-trade zone for the entire Western Hemisphere."

NAFTA has been destroying our independence and freedom. We must get out! Contact our senators and congressman to co-sponsor and pass H. Con. Resolution 22 to withdraw from NAFTA and pass H.R. 1146 to get out of the United Nations, the world government in the making! ADRIAN L. ARP, Ph.D. Twin Falls

Medicine has no reason for partial birth abortions

This letter is in response to the recent commentary concerning partial-birth abortion. Can there be anything more repulsive than partially delivering a helpless baby and then crushing or cutting the skull? There is no medical condition that makes such a procedure necessary. And when you think about it, what makes cutting up a baby that is still in the

uterus more acceptable?

The statement, "Who are we mere mortals to decide when life begins" is about absurd as it gets. This is a statement designed to confuse the issue. Medically, life begins at conception, and the traits that are present so early in pregnancy make it obvious that this is human life. So the issue is whether it is allowable to extinguish this life.

The reason both sides of the abortion issue see compromise as surrender is because it is a surrender. There is no acceptable middle ground that allows taking a baby's life some of the time but not at other times. DUYWANE KRAUSE Twin Falls

Migration of wolves to new areas is not unusual

In a recent article concerning wolves killing cattle near Carey, the state wolf coordinator, Steve Nadeau, was allegedly quoted as saying the circumstance was "very unusual." Unless he was misquoted, Mr. Nadeau's statement is completely inaccurate. There is a huge difference between an event being

unusual and an event being the first of a trend. It is not unusual for wolves to move into the Carey and Picoabo area. It is not possible to continue to increase the wolf population within a state and not have the wolves move into new areas. Wolves have been present in the Wood River Valley for years. The idea that they are moving south within the Wood River Valley is not usual; it is to be expected. It is not unusual that wolves kill and harass cattle. It is certainly not unusual that, as the wolf population increases, so will its geographic range. It is inevitable when wolves come in contact with livestock, there will be livestock depredation. It is inevitable that wolves will continue to inhabit areas of Idaho where they have not previously been present so long as their populations increase. None of these facts are unusual. To compare and contrast "unusual" with "inevitable," consider the following: wolves grazing on grass side-by-side

with livestock unusual; wolves killing livestock inevitable. Wolves protecting elk from marauding bears unusual; wolves preying on elk inevitable. Wolves voluntarily leaving Idaho and moving back to Canada unusual; wolves expanding their range throughout Idaho inevitable. BRIAN D. HARPER Twin Falls

School deserved praise for evacuation in Filer

The article on April 21 titled "What phone call," regarding the Filer schools bomb threat is very laudatory. Why would parents call the Times-News to say they never got a call from the school; why not call the school? Ask these parents if they have an actual working number for the school to call, and if they are not at home to answer. Did they supply the school with a work number or a cell number? Once the students were removed from harm's way, teachers' personal phones were being used by students to call their parents. Ask how many parents still did

not come to pick up their children after they had been contacted. And the comment stating, "Several students alone" — they do that every school day. Why do you think the school should delay an evacuation for students to stop at their lockers? The primary concern of the school is the "immediate" safety of the students. It is better to have a cold student than a dead student. This was not a "planned fun day" for anyone involved. The schools, teachers, law enforcement and emergency medical services should be commended on their response to safeguard these students. STEVE LAMBERT Twin Falls

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Inflation, recession not as nasty as they seem



ROBERT SAMUELSON

It's increasingly clear that much of our standard economic vocabulary needs revising, supplementing or at least explaining. The customary words we use don't fully convey what's actually happening in the real world.

Let me illustrate with two basic economic terms: Inflation and recession. There are also larger lessons.

Start with inflation. You may have noticed that last week's release of the March consumer price index — the government's main inflation indicator — inspired much optimism. "Inflation Fears Flew," headlined The Wall Street Journal. Stock prices jumped on the supposedly good news.

But if you actually examine the CPI report, you found that prices in March rose at their highest rate since September 2005 and that, over the past three months, they've increased at a 4.7 percent annual rate. Doesn't sound like retreating inflation, does it?

What explains the discrepancy is "core inflation." That's the CPI minus food and energy prices. In March, core inflation did subside, prompting the upbeat spin. But you might wonder: We must pay for food, gasoline and electricity; why strip them out?

The usual answer is: These prices jump around from month to month; they often exceed themselves (oil prices were high in the early 1980s, low in the late 1980s); core inflation better reflects the underlying trend. This is hardly wishful thinking.

Since the early 1980s, the two indexes (the CPI and the core CPI) have recorded — despite many monthly differences — virtually identical increases.

But suppose that this relationship is now breaking down. We all know about oil. Prices are about \$60 a barrel. They seem unlikely to return to the 2000 level. The real surprise involves food prices.

In the past three months, they've risen at a 7 percent annual rate. We may be seeing the first adverse effects of the ethanol boom. Corn is a main feed grain for poultry, cattle and hogs. Corn is also the main raw material for ethanol, an alternate fuel for gasoline.

Competition for grain has pushed up corn prices to about \$3.50 or more a bushel, almost double a typical level. High feed prices have discouraged meat producers from expanding. The resulting tight meat supplies raise retail prices.

"Porky is the best example," says economist Tom Jackson of Global Insight. "In the past 40 years, we almost never have year-to-year decreases in production. In

the past few months, we've seen production go down." In March, the decline was 4 percent from a year earlier.

So the government's subside-inflation wordwhirl? Or is it a giveaway to corn farmers?

Now switch to recession. Since 1982, there have been only two (1990-91 and 2001). That's good. In the previous 13 years, there had been four (1969, 1973-75, 1980 and 1981-82). Almost everyone dreads another one.

We've been conditioned to think of recessions as automatically undesirable. Hardly anyone likes what happens in a recession.

Unemployment rises, production falls, profits weaken, stocks retreat.

But the obvious drawbacks blind us to collateral benefits. Downturn checks inflation. It's harder to increase wages and prices — and low inflation has proved crucial to

long-term prosperity. Downturns also punish and deter wasteful speculation.

When people begin to believe that an economic boom won't ever end, they start to take foolish risks. Partly, that explains the high-tech and stock bubbles of the late 1990s and, possibly, the recent housing bubble.

Some sort of a recession might also reduce the gargantuan U.S. trade deficit, \$836 billion in 2006 (just counting goods).

Almost everyone believes that the U.S. and world economies would be healthier if Americans consumed less, imported less, saved more and exported more. The corollary is that Europe, Japan, China and the rest of Asia would rely more on domestic spending — their own citizens buying more — and less on exports.

Ideally, this massive switch would occur silently and smoothly.

Realistically, the transition might not be so placid. A slowdown in Americans' appetite for imports would involve weaker overall consumer spending, about 70 percent of the U.S. economy. Such a slowdown might also be needed to persuade other countries to stimulate their domestic spending.

Almost no one wishes for a recession, but the consequences might not be all bad. The larger lessons here involve perceptions.

Our regular vocabulary often fails to describe the complexities of a changing economy.

We must be alert to new possibilities. Things are not always what they seem.

Robert Samuelson is a columnist for Newsweek.



Shall we drink to Boris Veltsin?

JOEL CONNELLY

Boris Veltsin did not appear for a scheduled session with Russian media at the conclusion of the 1993 Clinton-Veltsin summit in Vancouver, B.C. Word came, amid knowing chuckles, that Russia's president was "indisposed" and under the weather.

Never one to leave a stage unfill, Bill Clinton marched in and briefed the journalists, wowing them with a discourse on Shostakovitch's 14th Symphony.

The death of Veltsin, Russia's first freely elected president, offers the opportunity for retrospective on democracy, on leaders' egos and on the evolution of this nation's relations with our vast trans-Pacific neighbor.

Boris was blotto for much of the summit. He drank several glasses of wine during a boat tour around Burned Inlet.

Arriving for a formal dinner at Queen Elizabeth Park, the Russian president was sweating, his skin shiny. He uttered in broken English, about "my friend Beecell."

With the Soviet Union less than two years in the grave, Veltsin had not yet perfected the art of retail politics.

At the University of British Columbia Museum of Anthropology, Clinton guided his ungainly charge into the foot markers laid out for the photo opportunity. He made deep conversation going up the steps, to mask Veltsin's uneven gait.

The two leaders climbed into their limousine and traveled at most 100 feet. UBC students lined the road.

Clinton practically pushed Veltsin out of the car, and gave the former party boss from Sverdlovsk a lesson on how you work a rope line.

Yet, as our translator kept telling me, this was the guy who had climbed up on top of a T-72 tank in August of 1991 and turned the tide against a coup attempt by hard-line Communists.

The man who faced down Politburo conservatives could get faced. After a transpolar flight from Seattle, Veltsin was unable to get off his plane in Shannon, Ireland, as the president of the Irish Republic waited to

greet him.

The man who oversaw a crash conversion to capitalism of the state-run Soviet economy was the guy who once received himself on a title of David Rockefeller's private jet.

Bill Clinton knew his Shostakovitch, but it was Boris Veltsin who grabbed a baton and tried to conduct the band that was about to play at departure ceremonies after his visit to Germany.

Veltsin went through several phases of life. He was a tough regional boss in the Uralis, brought to Moscow in the early 1980s by Mikhail Gorbachev as part of a drive to put new life in the Soviet system.

He became bitterly critical of Gorbachev, quit his post as a candidate member of the Politburo. He went into political exile, returning to win election as president of the Russian Republic.

Once the Soviet Union dissolved, however, Veltsin seemed to decay. He let cronies loot his country and visit hardship on the populace.

He sent tanks to fire on the building housing his own country's parliament, and sent Russian forces to crush the Chechen revolt.

The tracking of Veltsin tracks with the Northwest's relationship with Russia. We were, for a long time, a region sharply divided. Sen. Henry Jackson, D-Wash., exemplified one camp, endlessly warning of Soviet military strength and criticizing the Soviets on human rights.

Jackson wrote legislation that tied trade policy to the right of Soviet "refuseniks" to immigrate to Israel. He was not alone. A Seattle attorney, Leonard Sorenson, served as American literary agent for dissident writers: One client, Vladimir Volnoyich, gained world fame for satirizing the Soviet system.

At the same time, the local left cultivated Seattle's "sister city" relationship with Tashkent. Our town became an epicenter of the "melt-freeze" movement of the

early 1980s. The Soviet government took advantage of the movement.

"Friendship" delegations of apparatchiks, men in oil-drum suits with gold teeth, spouted the party line and shopped until they dropped. A polished official spokesman, Viktor Posner, became a fixture on KING-TV.

At times, however, our peaceniks joined the "swill empire," as when a visiting Seattle delegation spontaneously started handing out anti-nuclear war petitions on streets of Tashkent.

Nor was the U.S. government pleased. During a Q&A session at the Hearst Bureau in D.C., I queried Secretary of State George Shultz about "nuclear freeze" activists. He replied with a lengthy, Seattle-specific critique of cities pursuing their own foreign policies.

The 1990 Goodwill Games in Seattle provided a kind of rough awakening. The U.S.-Soviet competition opened the way to officials and scientists who talked honestly about economic decay and environmental destruction.

At the U.D.-B's Institute for Environmental Studies, Soviet scientists worried about what a giant pulp mill at the south end of Lake Baikal would do to the purity of the world's greatest storehouse of fresh water.

Veltsin was a hero then, at a time when the Soviet empire had only a year-and-a-half to live. In 1998, I was in St. Petersburg and Moscow as the rubble collapsed and thousands of Russians lined up outside the locked doors of banks.

Across from the Kremlin, a medical student who befriended motioned to a stooped old lady: "Babushka! Babushka!" She rattled over and pulled out a sack of beer bottles.

She was "free" but had to sell beer, outside the seat of government, to survive in Boris Veltsin's Russia.

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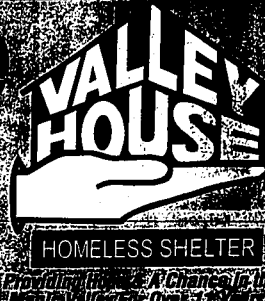
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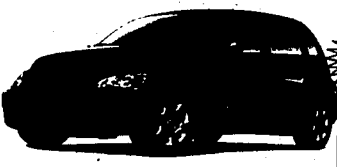
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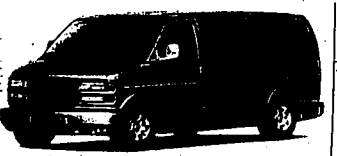
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Former BSU linebacker awaits NFL Draft

Hall says signing a free-agent contract is most likely scenario

By Bradley Greer
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Waiting really is the hardest part. Glenns Ferry native and former Boise State Bronco linebacker Corey Hall and his family are awaiting what could be one of the biggest weekends of his life — the 2007 NFL draft. "It's hard to say," Hall said of if he'll be picked up. "I'm confident that I'll get a free-agent contract for sure."

He emphasized that a number of things could happen. He could be drafted in the late rounds on Sunday or he could be drafted by a team he's never communicated with. He could also have a number of interested teams offering a contract after the draft ends. Sports Illustrated currently projects him as an undrafted free agent, and ESPN ranked him at No. 21 for inside linebackers. His mom Karen

thinks he'll go to Miami in the fifth round. Yet the uncertainty won't deter the Fiesta Bowl champion and his family from enjoying the experience. "I'll watch it and just hang out," he said. "The whole family's getting together." Hall could know something by Sunday evening, and the *Times-News* will check back with him to see what develops.

2007 NFL Draft

- A look at the two quarterback's sitting atop the draft board.
- The Seattle Seahawks have to wait until late in the second round to make their first draft pick.
- Oklahoma running back Adrian Peterson says his injured collarbone shouldn't be an issue for NFL teams.

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Corey Hall



Pennant Fever

CSI softball: One big chance

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — It all comes down to this.

The first-year College of Southern Idaho softball program has nearly come full circle. Nine weeks ago, the fledgling Golden Eagles, toured through Henderson, Nev., as a 5-11 team still unsure of its place in the Scenic West Athletic Conference. Those nine weeks ago, after the Community College of Southern Nevada took three of four contests from CSI, that place looked bleak. My, how things have changed.

Today and tomorrow the Golden Eagles host the conference-leading Southern Nevada Coyotes for a four-game SWAC series that will factor heavily into which team will win a conference title and the rights to host next week's Region 18 Tournament. At 24-12 in conference play, the Coyotes are tied atop the standings with Salt Lake Community College, which plays at North Idaho College this weekend. CSI and NIC share identical 23-13 SWAC records, only one game back of the leaders.

While the No. 19 Coyotes had their way with CSI the last time these teams met, the Golden Eagles' 26-10 record since that weekend gives every indication that this time around at Twin Falls High School's Bruin Diamond will be drastically different.

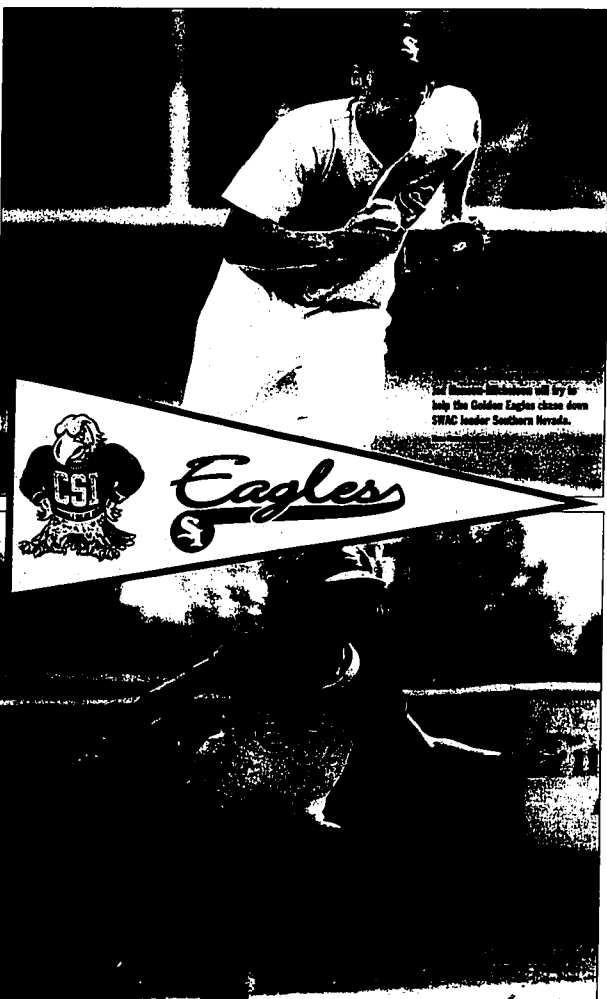
"We're a totally different team than we were when we played them at the beginning of the year," CSI freshman leadoff hitter All Spear said. "They're really got another thing coming to them."

The team CSI has become is one of the hottest teams in the nation. At 31-24, the Golden Eagles crept into the list of the nation's Top 35 teams on Wednesday when it received votes in the NJCAA Division I Softball Poll. Head coach Nick Baumer's high-powered offense has been the constant this season, but an increasingly confident pitching staff and a steadily improving defense have turned CSI into a more complete squad.

"It's interesting just watching them and seeing what they do," Baumer said of his team. "They're just so much more confident. You can see it in their faces."

That confidence will be of immense importance against a 20-14 CCSN pitching staff that ranks first in the SWAC in ERA. Sophomore Kelly Griego leads a staff that boasts a 2.15 ERA. That quality pitching will be put to the test against a CSI lineup that is hitting at a .325 clip and scoring over six runs per game. Wajalen Williams, Bellinda Turvey and Stephanie Holmes can rattle the ball off

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SWAC baseball: Who's No. 1?

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Two wins in one weekend? No sweat.

At least it hasn't been for the No. 13 College of Southern Idaho baseball team which has failed to win at least two of four Scenic West Athletic Conference series games only once this season. The 39-12 Golden Eagles lost three of four games at Western Nevada Community College on March 3-4 and have only split two series 2-2. So today and tomorrow at the Community College of Southern Nevada's Morse Stadium, with the Golden Eagles only two wins away from clinching the regular-season SWAC title, it's all about CSI simply being CSI.

"Going down there, all the pressure is on them," CSI sophomore third baseman Nik Gumerson said. "They have to win three games and we just have to go down there and play. For us, it's just being ourselves, having fun, going to win a couple games and getting ready to come back home."

"You've got to look at it like it's just another weekend," CSI sophomore pitcher James Wallace added. "We've already swept them, so you've got to think they're going to come back with a chip on their shoulder and try to get us in all four."

The goal for the Golden Eagles is to not focus too much on their magic number of two, but to continue their march toward next week's Region 18 Tournament, which CSI will host regardless of this weekend's outcome. Against a 36-15 CCSN team that will also host first-round region tournament action, CSI will look to rest up a few ailing arms, including sophomore Adam Urbreg who will take the weekend off with bursts in his throwing shoulder. With Wallace returning from his own arm injury, the depletion of CSI's pitching staff could be a factor against a CCSN team that's hitting .291 off the season. Still, CSI has been here before.

"You know, we've been short pitching all year, but a lot of guys have stepped up," Gumerson said. "A lot of younger guys have played phenomenal for us. I don't think it's going to be a huge factor."

Jordan Latham and the healthy CSI starting pitchers will likely have to log a lot of innings without much backup this weekend, which will also necessitate a steady offense on the mound against the Coyotes' solid pitching staff. While CSI head coach Bomer Walker partially attributed CSI's previous four-game sweep of the Coyotes to a number of good bounces, the Golden Eagles will have to make some of their own luck this weekend with timely hitting.

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Golden Eagles sophomore Bratvold headed to Eastern Washington

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The opportunity and the right to dream big are not mutually exclusive.

Twin Falls native Amy Bratvold, like anyone else, has always had the opportunity to dream about playing women's basketball at the NCAA Division I level. Over the last two seasons at the College of Southern Idaho, Bratvold earned the right to chase her dreams through long hours spent at the CSI gymnasium. Now, she'll take

her game to Eastern Washington University for the 2007-08 season, ascending to the NCAA Division I level that has so often eluded her Twin Falls High School counterparts.

"I've always thought it would be fun to play at the D-I level," Bratvold said. "I wasn't sure if it was going to happen, and coming to CSI, I didn't know if I could play at this level. But it worked out, I improved a lot and now, D-I is what I was hoping for."

Bratvold will join a young Eagles team that finished 10-19 last year as a member of the Big Sky Conference.



Bratvold

role in Cheney, Wash. Still, she's expecting her experiences at CSI to

translate into success at the next level.

"I'm already shy as it is, I'm not the big leader," Bratvold said. "I've learned a lot this year being a captain and a sophomore though, so hopefully I can use some of that."

Bratvold chose Eastern Washington over Lewis-Clark State College, Carroll College (Mont.) and Seattle Pacific University thanks in part to its proximity to her grandparents in Coeur d'Alene and a family history with the school. Bratvold's mother is an EWU graduate.

She will be expected to play small forward for the Eagles and continue to improve on her career scoring average of 9.3 points per game. EWU head coach Wendy Schuller also expects Bratvold to be able to create major problems with her 6-foot-1 height and career 36-percent 3-point shooting mark.

"Amy will be a great addition to our team," Schuller said in a recent release. "She's a long athletic player who will fit in well with what we want

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As of April 25

Baseball

Conf.	All
Class 5A	
Region Four-Five-Six	
Twin Falls	5-1 14.6
Idaho Falls	4-2 12.10
Skyline	2-2 9.9
Highland	2-4 7.7
Madison	1-5 5.14

Softball

Conf.	All
Class 5A	
Region Four-Five-Six	
Twin Falls	5-1 16.4
Skyline	4-2 16.4
Highland	4-2 7.7
Idaho Falls	3-3 8.12
Madison	0-6 11.10

Class 4A

Great Basin Conference	
West Division	
Jerome	4-2 17.2
Minico	4-2 16.6
Wood River	3-3 7.10
Burley	1-5 5.17

Class 4A

Great Basin Conference	
West Division	
Wood River	3-1 9.10
Jerome	2-1 7.11
Burley	1-2 6.11
Minico	1-3 4.16

Class 3A

Sawtooth Central	
Idaho Conference	
Kimberly	2-1 12.6
Buhl	2-2 11.7
Filer	1-2 4.11

Class 3A

Sawtooth Central	
Idaho Conference	
Buhl	5-1 18.2
Kimberly	3-1 13.3
Declo	1-5 3.7
Filer	0-5 2.12

Class 2A

Canyon Conference	
Glenns Ferry	2-2 10.6
Wendell	2-2 2.8

Class 2A

Canyon Conference	
Glenns Ferry	3-1 7.12
Wendell	1-3 6.10

Records reflect scores reported to the Times-News. Coaches: To report game results, call 1-800-658-3883, Exts. 239, 229, 220, or 230, or 735-3239.

Apter tears through District IV tennis

By Bradley Galt Times-News writer

JEROME — So where did this kid come from? Surely that must be the question floating around the District IV tennis scene as Adriel Apter dominates in boys singles.



to playing singles." But he hasn't missed a step when it comes to his game.

Magic Valley Prep Athlete of the Week

"Adriel plays within himself. His opponents are the least variable there," she said. Although Jerome's schedule allows Apter to play a variety of opponents from the 5A, 4A and 3A levels, his toughest tests will come this weekend at the Capital Invitational in Boise and next week against The Community School Districts, a 3A squad that regularly produces state champions.

Apter comes from the San Juan Islands of Washington, where he plays doubles during the fall season. He's had to make a lot of adjustments since coming to Idaho. Switching to singles, getting used to the dryer climate, playing in the spring and playing for a team that he can't represent in the postseason (he'll have to play as a Viking at the Class 3A level for district and state tournaments) are just a few of those adjustments.

Apter coming to the net and playing well there.

Apter said that in his earlier matches, he had a tendency to hit wide because he would forget that he couldn't use the alleys on the wider doubles court. While most players hover around the baseline, Apter plays the entire court.

Tilquist added that his well-rounded nature as a player and intense focus during a match helped him make those adjustments.

Bratvold

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to do defensively, and she will help us immediately on the offensive end with her ability to shoot the three."

Bratvold joins former Minico player Clare Bodensteiner and former TFFHS Bruin Christie Paiz as

members of the small group of area women's basketball players to make it to the NCAA Division I ranks.

Bratvold's performance at CSU has also helped pave the way for Incoming Golden Eagles players Kelsey Jardine of Twin Falls and Cassie Wood

of Richfield. While hearing her name associated with being a trailblazer for area girls hoops is a different feeling for the soft spoken Bratvold, she's happy to see area players have the opportunity to follow in her footsteps.

"I'm so happy for them," she said. "I think it's awesome that girls can make their dreams come true and experience college basketball. I don't want them to think of filling any shoes. I just want them to play and have fun here."

Bulldogs bulldoze Declo in doubleheader

Times-News

KIMBERLY — The Kimberly Bulldogs are blazing a trail to the District IV tournament and won two high-impact games Thursday against Declo.

coach Dale Martin. "The first two innings were tight and then we made some errors and they got some key hits. We had 10 hits and we hit the ball hard but right at somebody. They were able to win the game."

Sophomore Ashley Morrell picked up the complete game win for the Tigers and was 4-for-5 at the plate including a double. Senior Jen Dixon had two runs scored going 2-for-3 with a double and junior Nicole Sauer added a double.

"We were more aggressive on the bases," said Jerome coach Adam Reynolds. "For Wood River, sophomore Angela Coleman was 2-for-4 with an RBI and Samantha Filer was 3-for-4."

Wood River (9-12, 3-2) hosts Enger tonight in a makeup game that was postponed from last Thursday. Jerome (8-11) travels to Bonneville on Saturday.

complete game in allowing only three Wildcat hits. Glenns Ferry will play New Plymouth at 1 p.m. and Filer plays Wendell at 5:30 p.m.

Class 5A, Filer 3, Declo 10
Class 5A, Declo 10, Filer 3
Class 5A, Filer 3, Declo 10
Class 5A, Declo 10, Filer 3

Tennis Madison 9, Twin Falls 3

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Bruins team fell to Madison Thursday in region play. Jason Sipes and Becca Harris won in singles play while John Weese and Andrew Harmon won in doubles.

The Bruins will play at the Capital Invitational this weekend in Boise.

Madison 9, Twin Falls 3
Boys singles: Madison 9, Twin Falls 3
Girls singles: Madison 9, Twin Falls 3

Game 1
Kimberly 15, Declo 0, four innings
Canyon Conference

Game 2
Kimberly 15, Declo 0, three innings
Canyon Conference

Jerome 11, Wood River 2

HAILEY — The Jerome Tigers knesaid that if they wanted to host the district tournament they needed to win the road game against Great Basin Conference West for Wood River on Thursday. The Tigers did just that, winning 11-2 and giving them the best conference record at 3-1.

"Jerome needed this game and they came focused and ready to play," said Wood River

Baseball Glenns Ferry Tournament

Glenns Ferry 15, Filer 3, five innings

GLENN'S FERRY — Glenns Ferry won its tournament opener Thursday with a 15-3 victory over the Filer Wildcats. "We hit the ball up and down the lineup," said Glenns Ferry coach Denis Uhl. "We saw the ball real well today."



Wendell's Keith Blowers, right, is tagged out by Buhl third baseman Phoebe Thursday in Buhl. The two teams split a junior varsity doubleheader with Buhl winning 9-4 in Game 1, while Wendell rolled to a 20-7 victory in Game 2.

Coby Karl regaining court conditioning after surgery

DENVER (AP) — Coby Karl went through dribbling and shooting drills on the far corner of the Denver Nuggets' practice court. He put himself through quite a workout as some of the Nuggets' players scrimmaged with the other players. "It feels good to get a sweat going," the Boise State basketball player said Thursday. "I'm tired, but it's a good thing. You know you're getting better."

Karl, the son of Nuggets coach George Karl, underwent a seven-hour surgery April 2 to remove cancerous lymph nodes. It was his second operation in 13 months. But he's feeling better. He's slowly getting back into basketball shape and the 3-inch scar below his chin from where the doctors performed the operation is starting to fade.

His father is among his fans. "He's obviously a little biased," Coby Karl said with a laugh. "Hopefully I can play well enough in Orlando (at the NBA pre-draft camp) to impress some other teams and hopefully start a buzz." Karl was diagnosed with papillary carcinoma, a form of treatable cancer, in January 2006 and had his thyroid removed three months later. He also underwent chemotherapy to kill off any remaining cells, but the cancer returned. Karl will have blood work done in a month to see how he's recovering. However, he isn't living in fear of the cancer. "The word is kind of scary," Karl said.



Burley's Tyann Searle bats during the Bobcats' 9-4 victory over the Minico Spartans on Thursday at Big Valley Park in Rupert.

Mills cools off Minico bats as Burley rallies

By Chris Hughes For the Times-News

RUPERT — Burley sophomore pitcher Molly Mills used some heat to cool Minico's bats at the plate. Mills pitched shutoff softball for the final four innings in a relief appearance against the Spartans in a Great Basin Conference West softball game to lead the Bobcats to a 9-4 victory at Big Valley Park on Thursday.

"The umpire had a small strike zone so I had to throw it down the middle," said Mills. "We made some really good plays to shut them down."

"It's great to be able to call on a player like her," said Burley coach Tim Campbell. "She throws hard and puts it in the strike zone."

double off the left field wall and drove in senior McKenzie Mortensen to pull Burley within one run of the Spartans in Thurston, who went 3-for-5 in the seventh inning and was a home run shy of hitting for a cycle, advanced to third base on the play due to a throwing error.

Mills then ripped a hard grounder down the third base line to drive in Thurston and tie the score at 4-4. Tyann Searle gave the Bobcats a 5-4 lead when her double scored Mills from second base. Searle finished 2-for-4 at the plate.

"I've always said as long as we play defense we can make it back into the game," Campbell said. "We kept it close and were able to get the offense going."

The Spartans struggled with the pitching change after jumping out to an early 4-0 lead in the first two innings.

"We mentally let down," said Minico head coach Ralph Day. "(Mills) pitched so much faster than the first pitcher that our girls tended to bat more defensively... we didn't adjust."

Burley evened the season series between the two rivals at one game apiece, while a potential rubber match could be played if the two teams meet in district competition later this season. "It's always exciting when these two schools play," said Day. "Everybody gets up... it's a great rivalry."

Burley 9, Minico 4
Coby Karl 1-1, 1-1
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SCOREBOARD

BASEBALL

Table with columns for team names (Astros, Braves, Cardinals, etc.) and game results (W, L, Runs, Hits, Errors).

GAME PLAN

LOCAL COLLEGE

CSI at CC of Southern Nevada, DH, 1 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL

CC of Southern Nevada at CSI, DH, 1 p.m.

BASEBALL

Twin Falls at Skirvin, DH, 1:30 p.m.

SOFTBALL

Minco, Twin Falls at Craig, 4:30 p.m.

TENNIS

Twin Falls, Jerome at Capital, 8:30 a.m.

TRACK

Barley, Filer, Kimberly, Jerome, 8:30 a.m.

TV SCHEDULE

3:00 p.m. SPEED - Arkansas Lottery \$150 Grand, at Kansas City, Kansas

8 p.m. SPEED - NASCAR, Busch Series, pole qualifying for Aaron's 312, at Daytona, Fla. (race-day only)

7:30 p.m. ESPN2 - Albuquerque, Mike Anichino (27-10), vs. Darby Jimenez (22-2), at Miami

8 p.m. TGC - European PGA Tour, Open de Espana, second round

8 p.m. TGC - Nabonwato, Van Hencko County Open, second round

8 p.m. TGC - PGA Tour, Byron Nelson Championship, second round

8 p.m. WGN - Chicago Cubs at St. Louis

8 p.m. TBS - Atlanta at Colorado

8 p.m. ESPN2 - Playoff, Eastern Conference, first round, game 3, Toronto at New Jersey

8 p.m. ESPN - Playoff, Eastern Conference, first round, game 3, Chicago at Miami

8:30 p.m. ESPN - Playoff, Western Conference, first round, game 3, Dallas at Golden State

8 p.m. VERNUS - Playoff, Eastern Conference, semifinals, game 1, Vancouver at Anaheim

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Drug probe leads to Vick's property, discovery of ailing dogs

SMITHFIELD, Va. — Police conducting a drug investigation raided a house owned by Atlanta Falcons quarterback Michael Vick and found dozens of dogs, some injured and emaciated. Police also found items associated with dog fighting.

national suffering and fosters violence in our communities. Our nation should have a zero-tolerance policy for any form of staged animal fighting.

played in 21 games for Washington State last season, averaging 4.2 points. "It is no secret we have wanted Mac to don the sweater and gold Vandyan letter 'F' after school."

for insurance, if needed. For more information, contact Bob Hlausing at 326-3327.

Sports Shorts

NFL likely to administer neurological tests in training camp. NEW YORK — The NFL hopes to conduct pre-training camp neurological tests on players to determine susceptibility to concussions.

SPORTS

Jazz shut down Rockets

SALT LAKE CITY — Carlos Boozer had 22 points and 12 rebounds, and the Utah Jazz held Houston without a field goal for 10 minutes in the second half and beat the Rockets 81-67 on Thursday night in Game 3 of their playoff series.

Deron Williams added 11 points and eight assists, Matt Harpring had 13 points and rookie reserve Paul Millisap scored nine for the Jazz who didn't allow a point by the Rocket reserves.

Houston leads the series 2-1, with Game 4 set for Saturday night.

Yao Ming had 26 points and 14 rebounds and Tracy McGrady scored 24 points for Houston. Shane Battier, who scored 11, and Rafael Alston's six points were the only other scoring for Houston.

The Rockets won the first two games of the series at home, but were sloppy on the road during the first playoff game in Utah since 2003. Houston had 19 turnovers to Utah's 11 and was just 21-for-64 from the floor (32.8 percent).

The Rockets had another big advantage from the three throw line, but it wasn't nearly enough because they were outplayed everywhere else. Utah's reserves outscored Houston's 33-14 and outshot the Rockets' reserves 18-6.

Gordan Girkech had 10 points for Utah.

Mehmet Okur had four blocks and four steals while smothering Yao Ming. Defending Houston's 7-foot-6 All-Star scored 14 points from the line and was flustered all night, even flailing a backhand at Okur in a scramble for a loose ball in the first half.

It was one of many times the Rockets lost their cool against Utah, which also didn't play particularly well offensively but primarily for it with defense.

The Rockets didn't have a field goal from Battier's 3-point-arc until the third until McGrady hit from 19 feet out with 7:25 left in the game. The Rockets missed shot after shot and were outplayed by the Jazz for nearly every rebound during the 10-minute stretch.

Juan Howard appeared like he was in a daze, and his scoring drought when he broke away for a layup Okur—who is not the fastest member of the Jazz—got back in time to block him and left him floundering and remained seated behind the basket looking for a call that didn't come.

Houston still had eight more attempts from the line. The Jazz closed the third quarter with a 7-1 run, then opened the fourth with



Houston Rockets forward Chuck Hayes (44) and Utah Jazz guard Deron Williams (18) vie for the ball during the first quarter of their NBA playoff basketball game Thursday in Salt Lake City.

Girkech's 3-pointer that extended the lead to 64-52. Utah didn't score again for more than 4 minutes, but kept Houston off the board as well and thrilled the home fans with every stop.

Utah was just 2-for-15 from 3-point range, where the Jazz have struggled all series, and missed five of 18 free throws. But defensively, the Jazz easily had their best game of the series.

Pistons 93, Magic 77

ORLANDO, Fla. — Even on a night when the Detroit Pistons didn't play their best, they were good enough to beat the Orlando Magic — again.

Tayshaun Prince scored 23 points, Chauncey Billups added 21 and the Pistons defeated Orlando 93-77 Thursday night to take a 3-0 lead in the first-round playoff series.

The victory ended a postseason trend for the Pistons — they had lost their last six Game 3s when leading 2-0 — and left them one victory from advancing to the second round.

Game 4 is Saturday in Orlando.

Detroit gave the Magic plenty of chances in this one. The Pistons trailed early, let Orlando be physical and seemingly got flustered as they were

whistled for three technical fouls. Leading scorer Richard Hamilton even had an off night, scoring 10 points on 2-of-11 shooting.

But Detroit made up for it with solid outside shooting from Prince, Billups and Rasheed Wallace. They also got 15 points and seven rebounds from Chris Webber.

The long-range shooting was the difference, though. The Pistons finished 8-of-13 from behind the arc. Wallace, who had 15 points, was 3-for-3. Prince was 3-for-5, and Billups was 2-for-3.

Jaamec Nelson, a defensive liability at times in the first two games, led the Magic with 27 points on 10-of-19 shooting.

Dwight Howard, who lacked energy in Game 2 because of stomach illness, had 11 points and 12 rebounds.

Grant Hill and Hedo Turkoglu, the two who carried Orlando in the first two games, struggled at home. They were a combined 6-of-22 from the field.

Another key in the game — aside from the 3-pointers — was Detroit's strong finishes to the first three quarters. The Pistons scored the final six points of the first, tying the game at 23. They made two baskets in the closing seconds before halftime.

— The Associated Press

Sosa's two homers not enough

CLEVELAND — Sammy Sosa hit two homers to reach 534 for his career, but Paul Byrd and the Cleveland Indians beat the Texas Rangers 9-4 Thursday for their fifth straight win.

Sosa's 438-foot drive into the left-field seats leading off the sixth inning off Byrd (2-1) made Jacobs Field the 44th major league ballpark in which he has homered. That broke a tie with Ken Griffey Jr. and Fred McGriff for the most in a big league career.

The only stadiums currently in use that the 38-year-old outfielder has not hit a homer are RFK Stadium in Washington and the new Busch Stadium in St. Louis.

Sosa hit his sixth of the season in the eighth against Tom Mastny to move closer to joining Hank Aaron, Barry Bonds, Babe Ruth and Willie Mays in the 600 homers club. It was his 69th career multihomer game.

Byrd left after yielding a leadoff single in the seventh to Gerald Laird. The right-hander allowed three runs and eight hits, walked one and struck out three.



Texas Rangers batter Sammy Sosa hits a solo homer off Cleveland Indians pitcher Paul Byrd in the top of the sixth inning of a baseball game Thursday in Cleveland.

Blue Jays 6, Yankees 0

NEW YORK — Phil Hughes received a rough welcome to the big leagues from hard-hitting Toronto, and last-place New York lost its sixth straight.

Missing injured Derek Jeter, the Yankees (8-2) are on their longest skid since also dropping six in a row from May 28 to June 3, 2005. They managed only four singles and are percentage points behind fourth-place Tampa Bay in the AL East.

Angels 11, Devil Rays 3

ANAHEIM, Calif. — Bartolo Colon struck out 11 and Vladimir Guerrero homered during a five-run first inning for the Angels.

Colon (2-0) allowed four hits in seven innings, including a grand slam home run by Carlos Pena in the fourth. The 2005 AL Cy Young Award winner had plenty of gas left at the end of his second start this season, striking out the side in the seventh and reaching 94 mph with his 103rd and final pitch. His strikeout total was his highest since June 4, 2005, when he fanned 11 in six innings of a 13-6 victory at Boston.

Twins 1, Royals 0, 11 innings

MINNEAPOLIS — Mike Redmond hit a run-scoring single in the 11th inning and Minnesota snapped a four-game losing streak.

Justin Morneau and Jason Tyner had back-to-back singles off Todd Wellemeyer (0-1) with one out in the 11th to put runners on first and second. Redmond, who finished 2-for-5, then hit a line drive to right-center field to bring home Morneau.

Mariners 4, Athletics 2

OAKLAND, Calif. — Jose Lopez hit a go-ahead two-run

homer in the sixth inning and the Mariners beat the As for the fourth time in five meetings this season.

Richie Sexson hit an RBI double in the seventh that snapped an 0-for-20 streak, giving Seattle an unearned insurance run. The Mariners went 2-17 against Oakland last season.

Cardinals 7, Reds 5

ST. LOUIS — Skip Schumaker had a career-best three hits and two RBIs to help the Cardinals rally for the win.

Adam Kennedy's second double of the game snapped a sixth-inning tie for the Cardinals, who won consecutive home games for the first time this season. St. Louis is 3-7 overall at Busch Stadium.

Nationals 4, Phillies 2

PHILADELPHIA — Shawn Hill gave up two runs and four hits in eight-plus innings and Washington snapped Philadelphia's five-game winning streak.

Dmitri Young homered for the Nationals and Chad Cordero got three outs for his second save in four chances.

Hill (2-2), who hasn't allowed more than two runs in any of his five starts this season, struck out three.

Aaron Rowand hit a solo shot for the Phillies to extend his career-best hitting streak to 14 games.

Cole Hamels (2-1) had his shortest outing, allowing eight hits in 5 1/3 innings.

— The Associated Press

Senators jump out early, hang on to beat Devils in series opener

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Jason Spezza scored 90 seconds into the game, and Ottawa took a 4-0 early lead in a 5-4 victory over New Jersey on Thursday night in Game 1 of their Eastern Conference semifinal.

Cornell Dean McAmmond, Dany Heatley and Wade Redden also scored

for Ottawa.

Travis Zajac, Brian Gionta and Andy Greene scored for the Devils to cut the Ottawa lead to 4-3 early in the second period. Scott Gomez beat Senators goaltender Ray Emery in close later in the period but the goal was not.

Redden restored the Senators' two-goal lead on a

power play in the opening minute of the third period.

Zach Parise scored with 30 seconds left to bring the Devils within one goal.

Emery finished with 26 saves.

Game 2 is Saturday at New Jersey.

New Jersey played without captain Patrick Elias, who was

sidelined with the effects of a lingering cold.

Sharks 2, Red Wings 0

DETROIT — Matt Carle and Mike Greer scored in a 24-second span midway through the first period and Evgeni Nabokov made 34 saves for San Jose in Game 1 of their

Western Conference semifinal. Nabokov's shutout was his first this postseason and the fifth of his career in the playoffs. He was tied for second in the NHL with seven during the regular season.

Dominik Hasek had to make just 17 saves because the Sharks played very conservatively after taking the two-goal

lead.

Game 2 is Saturday in Detroit.

The Sharks won a league-high and franchise-record 76 games on the road this season and won twice more in Nashville, including the series-winning victory in Game 5 last week.

— The Associated Press

AT&T still fighting to place logo on Burton's car

ATLANTA (AP) — Jeff Burton's No. 31 Richard Childress Racing Chevrolet will wear the AT&T logo on its number 31 car for at least two more weeks.

There was no decision Thursday on AT&T's request for an injunction to have its logos placed on the Chevrolet. In the U.S. District court judge Marvin H. Schoob listened to almost four hours of arguments from NASCAR, AT&T and Nextel and then set May 7 as the deadline for briefs to be submitted in the case.

At Thursday's preliminary injunction hearing, NASCAR attorneys defended the decision to prevent Cingular — the primary sponsor of the No. 31 car — from changing its branding on the car to the AT&T blue globe.

Cingular merged with AT&T in December, and AT&T is phasing out the Cingular brand.

Sprint Nextel Corp. sponsors NASCAR's premier series, the Nextel Cup, and has exclusive rights as the telecommunica-

tions company for the series. The only exceptions are companies, including Cingular, that already sponsored cars when Nextel reached its agreement with NASCAR.

Cingular is arguing that its rights include changing its brand name to AT&T.

"We have changed our name, but we are the same company as we were before we changed our name," said David Balsler, attorney for AT&T Inc.

"Sprint has said the value of its investment would increase if they could drive us out."

Balsler said to Schoob. "That is what this is about, your honor. Sprint Nextel is trying to use our name change to drive us out of the sport."

NASCAR attorney David Gelfand said AT&T would be welcome to sponsor a car in NASCAR's Busch series or truck racing, but he said Nextel was entitled to exclusivity through

its 10-year, \$700 million investment that began in 2004.

"Those are the benefits NASCAR is seeking to protect," Gelfand said.

NASCAR president Mike Helton attended the hearing. NASCAR spokesman Ramsey Poston said Nextel's investment benefits every racing team.

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A tale of two quarterbacks at the top

NEW YORK — Casual fans probably disagree. JaMarcus Russell until the Sugar Bowl last January. Neither, apparently, did some NFL scouts — to the extent that they're calling him now as the likely No. 1 pick in Saturday's draft.

In those three-plus hours, Russell's 332 yards and two touchdowns passes carried LSU to a 41-14 win over Notre Dame. That performance helped propel him to the top of the 2007 NFL draft class over the presumptive heir to that spot, Notre Dame's Brady Quinn. Never mind that LSU was simply the better team: Quinn's 15-of-35 for 148 yards and two interceptions put a huge question mark after his name.



Quarterbacks JaMarcus Russell, left, of Louisiana State, and Brady Quinn, right, of Notre Dame pose for photos at Radio City Music Hall to promote the upcoming NFL Draft Thursday in New York.

So the top of the NFL draft is about the two quarterbacks, notwithstanding the fact Georgia Tech's Calvin Johnson is considered to be the one "can't miss" player — perhaps the best at any position in the last five years or so.

But in the endless analysis that starts in early January and carries on for four months, Quinn's "can he or can't he" status has been the focus, despite the fact he had a far more consistent college career than Russell. Suddenly he became a "can't win the big one" QB, a label that also was applied in college (and for a while in the NFL) to Peyton Manning.

So if the Raiders don't grab Johnson or trade down to someone who wants him, they are likely to take the 6-foot-5, 260-pound-Russell. Al Davis has always coveted quarterbacks like him who can throw the ball 40-50-60 yards in the air, as he can.

Quinn might go second, third ... or 10th, as Matt Leinart, who spent almost two years at Southern Cal fighting the burden of being a potential No. 1, did a year ago. Such a drop could cost Quinn a lot of money.

"I don't care about money. I care about football," Quinn

said Thursday at a media session in New York for potential top picks. "Look at it this way: the lower I go, the better chance I have a chance of playing for a winning team."

The other subplot to this draft is behavior.

There is supposed to be increased scrutiny on players who misbehaved in college — whether on the field or off — following a season in which nine Cincinnati Bengals were arrested and a variety of other players were in trouble for a variety of other reasons. Earlier this month, commissioner Roger Goodell suspended Adam "Panic" Jones of Tennessee for a year and Cincinnati's Chris Henry for eight games for their misbehavior. More suspensions could be upcoming.

But at least one player with a checkered past, cornerback Eric Wright, is likely to be drafted in the first round. Wright was charged with rape while at Southern California, but the charges were dropped, he transferred to UNLV and

seems to have passed most teams' character tests.

In an odd twist, after a report leaked out that three of the top players, Johnson, Louisville defensive tackle Amobi Okoye, and Clemson defensive end Gaines Adams — acknowledged at the scouting combine that they had used marijuana, the reaction to those revelations seemed to be positive. What college kid, many NFL types asked, didn't try the drug at some point? And weren't these three more honest than others who didn't acknowledge they used it?

There is a consensus on the top 10 players, although not all will go in the top 10 simply because drafts never quite work that way. They include Russell; Quinn; Johnson; Adams; Okoye; (Oklahoma running back Adrian Peterson; offensive tackle, the University of Wisconsin and Levi Brown of Penn State; safety Laton Laundry of LSU; and cornerback Leon Hill of Michigan.

But the focus is on Quinn, who has been analyzed and

overanalyzed. He could go to Detroit at No. 2, Cleveland at No. 3, or perhaps fall as low as ninth to Miami.

"I think that everything about him points to him being a successful quarterback in the NFL," says his coach, Charlie Weis, who as an assistant with New England helped turn Tom Brady into a star. "The way he carries himself on and off the field, his athletic ability, his moxie, his leadership. That 'it' that certain people have, he has it."

A more neutral opinion? "I think if it wasn't for Brady and his production, Notre Dame never would have been there playing LSU," says Gil Brandt, the NFL's draft analyst and Dallas' personnel director for the first 30 years of the Cowboy existence.

The best prospect? Without question it's Johnson, who is 6-foot-4, 237 pounds, runs a 40-yard dash under 4.4 seconds and can outstep almost anyone — he's been called "Spiderman."

Oklahoma's RB says collarbone no problem

NEW YORK — Adrian Peterson insists his collarbone has healed properly and he will be in minicamp for which team selects him in Saturday's NFL draft.

He's also not concerned that a recent report claiming he will need further surgery on the left collarbone will hurt his draft stock. The Oklahoma running back expects to go very high.

The last couple of teams I visited with, Atlanta and Minnesota, I've been through everything you can do and there is nothing negative," he said Thursday. "Everything has been positive news. They've got everything right there in front of them and there are no red flags."

"I'll be ready for minicamp and won't miss anything at all."

— The Associated Press

Seahawks will watch first round pass by

KIRKLAND, Wash. — Like most general managers, especially those with deep roots as a scout, Tim Ruskell cherishes his hot list of the top prospects in the NFL draft.

Months and years of film study, campus visits, player and coach interviews and investigation create that list. The hotter the list of Seattle players gets, the better Ruskell's Seahawks are going to be for years to come.

But this weekend, Ruskell's hot list is going to need a heat lamp.

How cool will it be? Instead of containing top college stars Marshall Lynch, Dwayne Jarrett or Ted Ginn Jr., it will include Zach Miller, Ben Patrick and Brandon Mebane — names only draft addicts likely know.

The Seahawks don't begin picking until 55th overall, deep into Saturday's second round. That could mean nine hours of waiting before Seattle gets to start filling needs at tight end, guard, safety and defensive line.

"We know about who is going to go in that area, and you'd think it would be great to have that," Ruskell said this week, referring to Lynch, Jarrett, Ginn and others likely to be selected late in the first round. "But we kind of know that is the deal. So we've focused on the guys who are going to be there at 55."

Blame Delton Branch for putting Ruskell's hot list on ice.

Last September, the Seahawks traded their first-round choice to New England for the former Super Bowl MVP.

The wide receiver and the Patriots were locked in a lengthy holdout. The next day, Seattle gave Branch a \$39 million, six-year contract — with \$23 million guaranteed over the first three years.

So a centerpiece to their

offense is far more useful to the Seahawks right now than that 24th overall pick the Patriots received.

"I think it makes our draft look pretty good to have Delton Branch as a first-round pick," said Ruston Webster, the Seahawks' vice president for player personnel who began "working with Ruskell when both were scouts with Tampa Bay in 1988."

When Ruskell worked under former Tampa Bay general manager

Ritch McKay a few years ago, the Buccaneers did a study of first-round draft choices. Ruskell said that over 15-20 years, "50 percent were busts."

So the Seahawks' split is that they are glad to have Branch and glad to be escaping what Ruskell calls the first round "crashout" for a year anyway.

And because the defending three-time NFC West champion is not to have urgent needs for wholesale rebuilding, it can't be so bad having to wait to choose perhaps a less-ready prospect first — such as Mebane, a fast, run-stuffing defensive tackle from California who some say lacks good technique.

Broncos sign linebackers Holman, Lewis

DENVER — The Denver Broncos added depth at linebacker, signing unrestricted free-agent's Warrick Holman and D.J. Lewis on Thursday.

Holman, a native son, played out of Texas A&M. Started 16 games for the Washington Redskins in 2006. He also has played for Chicago and Cleveland.

Lewis played the last five seasons for Seattle. The former University of Texas player started 19 games for the Seahawks in his career.

— The Associated Press

CSI softball vs. CCSN: Key performers



The coach
Nick Baumer vs. Yaido Jimenez
Baumer has the SWAC's best offense. Jimenez has his best pitching staff. The CSI bats "will have to speed things up a bit after facing the tough-throwing Colorado Northwestern Community College Spartans last weekend."

The slugger
Stephanie Holmes vs. Michelle Ralston
Ralston has been a mainstay in the CCSN lineup and its top RBI threat, while Holmes' .715 slugging percentage is second best in the SWAC. Consistency will be important for each over the weekend.



The speedster
Rochelle Noren vs. Maritza Espinoza
Play in field quickly as many games (13) as Griego has started this year. While Griego can come in at any time and up her strikeout tally, Zillner will likely focus on two quality starts and a shot at her 14th and 15th complete games.

The ace
Joey Zillner vs. Kelly Griego
Zillner has started as many games (13) as Griego has started this year. While Griego can come in at any time and up her strikeout tally, Zillner will likely focus on two quality starts and a shot at her 14th and 15th complete games.

Eagle Eyes

Today: CSI (31-24, 23-13 SWAC) vs. No. 19 Community College of Southern Nevada (25-14, 24-12 SWAC), Bruin Diamond, DH, 1 p.m.
Last time they met: The Coyotes took three of four conference games from the Golden Eagles in Henderson, Nev., during the first week of SWAC play this season. On the horizon: The Golden Eagles and Coyotes end the regular season with tomorrow's noon doubleheader. CSI is back in action next Thursday for the start of the Region 18 Tournament, which will be held at Twin Falls, Coeur d'Alene, Henderson, Nev., or Salt Lake City, depending on which team is the SWAC regular-season champion.

CSI season leaders
Batting: Rachel Evans .399; Rochelle Noren .390, Ralston .331; Noren 50; Evans 46; Ralston 45; Williams 53; Stephanie Holmes 44, Hits — Noren 64; Evans 63, 2B — Williams 17; Evans 14, 3B — Evans, Katelynn Warren 4; Candice Benard, Belinda Turley, Williams 3, HR — Holmes 11; Noren 5, Williams 1, 5B — Noren 12; Evans, Turley 15.
Pitching: Record — Joey Zillner 11-8; Holmes 9-7, 5V — Holmes, Desi Thompson 2; Lacey Bowman, Zillner 2, ERA — Zillner 1.77; Zillner 1.77, IP — Zillner 120.1; Thompson 100, SO — Zillner 103; Holmes 81, Opponents' average — Bowman .203; Zillner .239.

CSI baseball vs. CCSN: Key performers



The coach
Boomer Walker vs. Tim Chambers
With both teams ranked No. 1 or 2 in the SWAC in most statistical categories, the week they've got everything right. The coach with the best game management will probably see the best results.

The slugger
Nik Gumeson vs. Tim Manumaleua
Gumeson has the better average (.307) while Manumaleua has two more home runs at seven. But this weekend isn't about long hits for the SWAC's top two run producers. It's more about timely hits.



The speedster
Grant Kveder vs. Chase Lavitt
They're always on base and once there, they're always moving. Kveder may be the fastest player in the league, but his instincts give him the advantage along with 32 stolen bases in 34 attempts.

The ace
Jordan Latham vs. Jon Berger
Too big sophomore right-hander with two big arms. Walker needs seven more innings from his horse, Latham, who has pitched a career-high 69 innings on route to a SWAC-best 9-2 record.

Eagle Eyes

Today: No. 13 CSI (39-12, 27-9 SWAC) at Community College of Southern Nevada (36-15, 26-10 SWAC), Morse Stadium, Henderson, Nev., DH, 5 p.m., MDT
Last time they met: The Golden Eagles swept the Coyotes in a four-game home series earlier this year, winning 3-1, 6-0, 3-1 and 3-1.
On the horizon: The Golden Eagles and Coyotes meet at 1 p.m., MDT for Saturday's doubleheader. The Golden Eagles will host first-round action of the Region 18 Tournament at Ship Walker Field, starting on Thursday. CSI will begin play at 3 p.m. or 6 p.m. as either the No. 1 or No. 2 overall seed.

On the radio: All games will be broadcast on 1270 AM KTFI.

CSI season leaders
Batting: Average — Grant Kveder .255; Tony Altavilla .331, Runs — Altavilla 44; Nik Gumeson 37, RBI — Gumeson 41; Kveder 25, Hits — Kveder 55; Altavilla 52, 2B — Altavilla 15; Kveder 12, 3B — Kveder 3; Altavilla 3, HR — Gumeson 5; Brad Mady 1, SB — Kveder 21; Altavilla 18.
Pitching: Record — Jordan Latham 9-2; Jason Oatman 7-2, 5V — Trent Johnson 8; Gumeson 6-2, ERA — Johnson 0.87; Latham 1.57, IP — Latham 69.0; Adam Uberg 58.2, SO — Latham 62; Uberg 49, Opponents' average — James Wallace .135; Jake Croager .158.

Softball

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the outfield fences at any time. Baumer is hoping his offense will get off to a quick start today, putting the pressure immediately on the sophomore-laden Coyotes squad.

"Hopefully we get out to a great start (today) and I think this'll be key for the weekend," Baumer said. "It doesn't necessarily mean that if we don't get off to a great start we won't be able to make up ground, but that'll be our goal."

With two lefty slappers that

lead the CCSN batting order in Maritza Espinoza and Christine Terrazas, the Coyotes minor CSI's effective offensive attack in many ways. CCSN's speed game will put a premium on CSI's ability to play solid infield defense. That has been a point of emphasis in recent practices.

"I'm so excited. There's like no way to really explain it, but we're all so pumped to play these guys," Spear said. "Practice this week has been really intense. Everybody's

been real into it and we're ready to get out there (today)." CSI's focus on winning a regular-season SWAC title means that the Golden Eagles will likely need three or four wins this weekend to achieve their goal. CSI will need at least one SLCC win over NIC to climb to the top of the standings but heading into the weekend, the Golden Eagles are focusing on what they can control.

"I think all of us are going for four this weekend," Spear said. "That's what we want."

Baseball

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"I think this weekend will just get us ready for the following weekend," Walker said. "It's going to be a playoff-type atmosphere and it will make this next weekend not be a surprise for us. We'll have been there before, five days earlier, in that same type atmosphere."

Despite his need for pitching this weekend, Walker will bring Wallace along slowly this weekend. Wallace was able to put in one inning of work in last week's sweep of the College of Eastern Utah, but

admitted he's still not completely confident in his arm heading into the weekend.

"If he throws the same way he was able to throw last weekend, the law of averages is going to catch up with him and he's going to get killed, to be real honest," Walker said.

While the weekend's games will be tough, CSI's mark on the season has been its ability to scrap its way through tough situations time and time again.

"Our club, all year, has just found a way to overcome whatever's been thrown our way," Walker said. "It's nothing we're going to worry about. It's

just the guys that show up and are healthy will play their butts out. And if you're not trying to fight through it will try to find a way to get ready for when they can go."

Today's games will begin at 5 p.m., MDT and will be broadcast live on 1270 AM KTFI. Tomorrow's doubleheader will begin at 1 p.m., MDT.

"I hopefully our team doesn't try to cruise, thinking we only have to win two games," Wallace said. "If we come out there looking to take four, we'll take more than two. But if we are in there looking for two, anything can happen."

TWIN FALLS 7-DAY FORECAST

Today: Mostly sunny and heating up. Highs low to middle 70s. Tonight: Clear night skies. Lows 40s. Tomorrow: Plentiful sunshine and spring warmth. Highs low 60s.

BOISE 7-DAY FORECAST

Today: Mostly sunny and warm. Highs low to middle 70s. Tonight: Mostly clear skies. Lows low 40s. Tomorrow: More sunshine and warm temperatures. Highs up over 70s.

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.

Warm temperatures. Dry weather and hot skies will finish out the week and continue through the weekend. Conditions will be excellent for those with outdoor activities planned.

BOISE A warming trend will raise temperatures well above normal through the weekend. Precipitation will arrive several days of the week. Conditions will be great for those with plans to be outdoors.

NORTHERN UTAH

High pressure aloft will generate several days of beautiful spring weather. Precipitation is unlikely.



Boise: High 70s, Low 40s. Northern Utah: High 60s, Low 40s. Sun Valley: High 70s, Low 40s.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Forecast table for Twin Falls with icons for sun, moon, and clouds. Includes Today, Tonight, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday.

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Almanac table with columns for Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure, Sunrise and Sunset, and Pollen Count.

MOON PHASES

Table showing moon phases for May 2, 10, 16, and 23.

MOONRISE AND MOONSET

Table showing moonrise and moonset times for Twin Falls.

NATIONAL FORECAST

National forecast table with columns for City, Today, Tomorrow, High, Low, Wind, etc.

Yesterday's Weather

Table showing yesterday's weather for various cities including Boise, Idaho Falls, and others.

U.V. INDEX

U.V. Index information: Low, Moderate, High. Includes a note about sun protection.

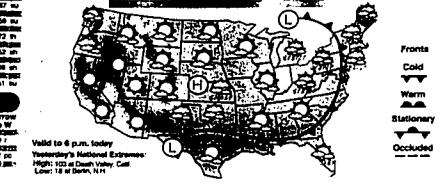
POLLIN COUNT

Pollen count information: Tree, Grass, Weed, Ragweed, etc.

WORLD FORECAST

World forecast table with columns for City, Today, Tomorrow, High, Low, Wind, etc.

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



GREGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY

Entrepreneurs and their small enterprises do responsible for almost all the economic growth in the United States.

CANADIAN FORECAST

Canadian forecast table with columns for City, Today, Tomorrow, High, Low, Wind, etc.

O'Hair shoots season best for early lead at Byron Nelson

IRVING, Texas — Sean O'Hair wants to be known for his game, not how he was pushed into the professional ranks while still in high school by an overbearing father.



Sean O'Hair watches a tee shot during the first round of the Byron Nelson Championship golf tournament in Irving, Texas, Thursday.

gratulation he got from Nelson at the 18th green after the final round. Weterich was the last winner to have that privilege.

Championship. Ochoa, who took the top spot in the rankings from Annika Sorenstam on Monday, had two eagles, five birdies and four bogeys in windy conditions on the Tey Marlas course.

Tee times set for 2007 Oasis Two-Person Better Ball Tournament

Large advertisement for the 2007 Oasis Two-Person Better Ball Tournament, including a list of tee times and a 'Horse Monthly' ad.

Large advertisement for Magic Valley HomeSeller featuring top agents: Jason McCurdy, Bonnie Ross, Rich Whitescarver, Tami Shirley, Kilah M. Wilkinson, and Debra Requa.

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FAREWELL, ED!

Longtime Forest Service spokesman set to retire

By Matt Christensen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Since there were trees, there's been Ed Waldapfel, spokesman for the U.S. Forest Service's Sawtooth National Forest.

Perhaps that's an exaggeration, but not by much: Ed has been with the Forest Service for 41 years and nine months. He's seen his share of absurdities and triumphs, smiles and tears, fires and plane crashes.

Eight forest supervisors have come and gone. Only Ed remains — but just until Thursday.

Friday morning next week, Ed will wake up, and for the first time on a weekday since 1967, he'll forgo green pants, boots and a white polo shirt.

Ed retires next week after nearly a half-century with the Forest Service.

"I'll take at least that long for anyone to forget his name. "We're going to miss him," said Jane Kollmeyer, supervisor of the Sawtooth. "He's given outstanding service to the Forest Service and the American people."

Ed probably wouldn't have guessed someone would one



Ed Waldapfel, spokesman for the U.S. Forest Service's Sawtooth National Forest, poses Thursday outside his office in Twin Falls. Waldapfel is set to retire next Thursday after 41 years.

day make a statement like that about him. He was fired from his first Forest Service job, on a fire crew — because he wore glasses.

He was quickly rehired on a trail crew and hoppedscotch from forest to forest across California. In 1971, he was one of three people to become the state's first Forest Service spokesman. In 1980, Ed moved to Magic

Video on the Web

Go to MagValley.com for an interview with Ed Waldapfel.

Valley to work for the Sawtooth, and he's been here ever since. "I just kinda fell in love with the country," he said. "I went home and told my wife I

thought Idaho was calling us."

It was. It will. Ed plans to stick around Magic Valley for good. And he admits it'll be hard to stay out of the Forest Service office in Twin Falls. "I want to be available for special projects," he said.

Aside from more work, he'll fish more often and take his wife camping — something

he didn't do enough of during his career, he said.

Besides that, there's not much Ed would have done differently. "I can't think of anything," he said.

No regrets? Truly a job well-done.

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More than just a tax collector

Twin Falls deputy treasurer celebrates 40th year

By Jared S. Hopkins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls County Treasurer's Office is a lot more than a place that collects taxes.

Chief Deputy Treasurer Alice Lent celebrates her 40th year working for the county today.

She has worked with her co-workers long enough for them to feel like more than just friends.

Both Lent and Office Manager Tileen Morrison, who has worked in the office for 37 years, went to high school together. Their mothers worked at the same store and eventually settled at the same nursing homes.

"We're almost like sisters," Lent said.

But Morrison is just one of nearly a half dozen workers for the treasurer's office — and Lent said it's those women who keep her inspired to still come to work.

"They've stayed here for years. They're like family," she said. "The time here has flown so fast. I never knew I was going to stay here this long."

Twin Falls County commissioners passed a proclamation Monday in celebration of Lent's service.

"It's an incredible feat when you can work for this group of characters that long," Commissioner Chairman Tom Mikeseil joked.

Lent began her service in 1967 as a part-time worker in the county auditor's office, shortly after her daughter turned 1-year-old. A couple years later, Lent made the move across the hall to the treasurer's office.

She worked part-time for just a few months before receiving full-time status.

When she gave brief consideration to finding another line of work in the early 1980s, it was, appropriately enough, when new technology arrived.

"When we went to computers, I was terrified, to say the least... I prayed a lot."

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CSI, police school form partnership

By Cassidy Friedman
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — When swarms of cops hit the College of Southern Idaho campus, possibly starting this summer, don't panic.

They could just be late for class.

CSI opened the second floor of the Canyon Building, located on the north side of campus, to Peace Officer Standards and Training as part of a partnership agreement formed Monday between POST Executive Director Jeffrey Black and CSI President Dr. Jerry Beck at a CSI board meeting.

The agreement launches a relationship of convenience into a professional partnership by the sharing of resources and mutual endorsement.

"There is going to be a lot more law enforcement activity on campus," said Twin Falls County Sheriff Wayne Touseley. Idaho law requires that officers complete 40 hours of POST training every two years.

Through a graduated process, CSI will remodel a classroom, which could be ready by summer, to accept officers from the Magic Valley's eight counties. The college already offers a law enforcement degree, and POST plans to hire a south central regional coordinator to set up a basic training academy.

"It's a big deal," said Brett Reid, CSI's law enforcement program manager. Reid, who is certified to train various aspects of POST, would like to teach both POST and CSI classes, he said.

Within the next few years, a south central coordinator could take some of the job function of an existing coordinator. The current coordinator

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Wendell hosts Arbor Day celebration

Saturday event promises to have something for everyone

By Blair Koch
Times-News correspondent

WENDELL — Today is Arbor Day, but Wendell won't celebrate the tree-planting holiday until Saturday.

Many activities are planned that day, said Karen Isaacson, chairwoman for the Gem Team. The event, she said, is just one of many planned throughout the year sponsored by the Gem Team.

"Our number one concern is joining the national thrust to put green back in our world," Isaacson said. "We are one of 72 cities in Idaho to proudly hold the title of a Tree City. Our Arbor Day celebration is something that we have to do to keep (the) designation, and we want to make the event the best we can."

Wendell has been a "tree city" for five years. In order to have the designation a city must have a tree board or department, a tree care ordinance, a community forestry program with an annual budget of \$2 per capita and hold an annual observance of Arbor Day, according to the National Arbor Day Foundation Web site.

"The benefits of Arbor Day go far beyond the shade and beauty of new trees for the next generation," explains the site. It also is a good opportunity to educate

If you go

Wendell's Arbor Day celebration will be 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday, at the Wendell Elementary School cafeteria, 150 3rd Avenue East.

and inspire the community.

Saturday's events begin at 8:30 a.m. at the Wendell Elementary School cafeteria with registration and a free continental breakfast. A reading of the Arbor Day Proclamation will follow.

Students from Orchard Valley Head Start will be recognized for the Arbor Day posters they created, currently displayed at City Hall. The Idaho Department of Lands will giveaway 100 free pine seedlings, Isaacson said. There also will be door prizes, vendor booths and free face painting for kids. An educational seminar on how to choose, plant and care for trees will take place at 9:15 a.m.

"There will be something for everyone," said Sharla Dunn, organizer for Wendell Merchant. "I don't think people will be disappointed."

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YOUR WEEKEND

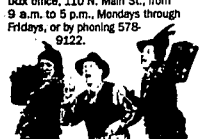
Blood and betrayal

What: The College of Southern Idaho Theater Department will present Shakespeare's "Macbeth."
Where: Fine Arts Center Theater, Twin Falls.
When: Today and Saturday, 8 p.m.
How much: Tickets, which are \$8 for adults and \$8 for students and senior citizens, may be purchased at the Fine Arts box office, Room 97, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. Tickets may also be reserved by phoning 732-6781 or 732-6788.



Frogs and toads

What: Company of Fools will present Willie and Robert Reale's musical "A Year with Frog and Toad."
Where: Liberty Theatre, Halley.
When: Today and Saturday, 7 p.m., and Sunday, 3 p.m.
How much: Tickets, which are \$18 for adults and seniors and \$10 for children, are available at the Company of Fools box office, 110 N. Main St., from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Mondays through Fridays, or by phoning 578-9122.



Time marches on

What: Country singer Tracy Lawrence will do two shows a night in Jackpot.
Where: Cactus Petes Resort Casino.
When: Today and Saturday, 8 and 10 p.m.
How much: Tickets, which are \$35, \$40



and \$45, can be reserved by phoning (800) 821-1103.

Pops goes the symphony

What: The Magic Valley Symphony will present "Movie Magic," a program featuring popular musical scores from movies.
Where: College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls.
When: Today, 8 p.m.
How much: Tickets, which are \$8 for adults, \$6 for seniors and \$5 for students, will be available at the door.



OBITUARIES

Elsiemae Browning Cunningham

GLENNYS FERRY — Elsiemae Browning Cunningham joined her beloved husband Harold Cunningham, in the House of the Lord on April 21, 2007. Elsiemae "Bobbie" was born July 15, 1914, at Milners Hospital in Park City, Utah, to Clara and Dr. Alfonso Browning. Alfonso was the attending physician at the birth of his daughter. She acquired the nicknames, Bobbie, as Alfonso had a boy in mind. Bobbie grew up in Utah and later moved to Phoenix, Ariz. She attended junior college and achieved a great accomplishment by graduating in 1935. Phoenix was where she met the love of her life, Harold, and they wed Oct. 6, 1938. Together, two sons, Don "Bud" and Wayne, were born to this union. Harold and Bobbie ranched in Gilbert, Ariz., and then moved with their sons to the beautiful Pahsimeter Valley of Idaho to continue successfully ranching. Harold preceded Bobbie in passing in October 1967. After Harold's death, Bobbie moved to Salt Lake City, Utah.

There she enjoyed the company of several cousins and was active in church. In 1982, Bobbie moved to Mountain Home, Idaho, to be closer to her son, Don, along with his family. In her later years, she eventually moved into Popular Grove, an assisted living facility in Glens Ferry. This is where Bobbie called home the past three years. Bobbie is survived by her sons, Don (Carol) Cunningham of Salmon, Idaho, and Wayne (Loma) Cunningham of Gill, Colo.; seven grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. With a bounce in her step and a twinkle in her eye, we know she is not gone, she's just away. The funeral will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, April 28, at the Glens Ferry LDS Church. A burial service will take place on a later date in Phoenix, Ariz. Arrangements are under the direction of Demary Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel. The family requests, in lieu of flowers, donations to be made to the Mary Summers Scripps Fund at the U.S. Bank in Glens Ferry, Idaho.

Frank Kearns

BURLEY — Frank Burl Kearns, a 90-year-old resident of Burley, passed away Tuesday, April 24, 2007, at the Courtyard at Jamcosted Assisted Living in Provo, Utah. He was born July 18, 1916, in Watonga, Okla. He was a member of the W.I.L.L.I.A.M. Sylvester Kearns and Lottie D. Miller. He spent two years in the U.S. Army stationed at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, during World War II. He was the Cassia County clerk for 40 years and will be remembered for his great capacity to make even strangers feel like a friend. He was an active member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and provided service to others for many years. He married Beth Adams on Oct. 13, 1940. They were later sealed in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple. Beth preceded him in death, as well as a daughter, Mary Elizabeth Evans, Frank is survived by his current wife,

Elaine Beckstead Stokes; two sons, John Frank (Deanne) Kearns of Bountiful, Utah, and Wendell James (Donna) Kearns of Albuquerque, N.M.; two sisters, Marguerite Marie Sandmann of Burley, Idaho, and Maxine Moore of Vancouver, Wash.; 13 grandchildren; and 22 great-grandchildren. We would like to thank Eloise for her tender loving care during Frank's twilight years and the Christ-like care given to Frank by the staff at Jamcosted. We would also like to express appreciation to Milinda Hudnall and her hospice staff. The funeral will be at 11 a.m. Monday, April 30, at the Burley 3rd and 7th Ward Chapel of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2200 Oakley Ave., with Bishop Tracy King officiating. Burial will be in the Pleasant View Cemetery with military rites provided by the Mini-Cassia Veterans. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Sunday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and from 10 until 10:40 a.m. Monday at the church.

For obituary rates and information

Call 735-3268 Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 3 p.m. for next-day publication. The e-mail address for obituaries is obits@magicvalley.com. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 4 p.m. every day. To view or submit obituaries online, or to place a message in an individual online guestbook, go to www.magicvalley.com and click on "Obituaries."

Rosa C. Martinez

RUPERT — Rosa C. Martinez, 86, of Rupert, passed away Tuesday, April 24, 2007, at Bridgeview Estates in Twin Falls. Rosa was born June 1, 1920, in Three Rivers, Texas, to Safarino and Beattie Garcia Cuellar. Rosa shared her life with her dear husband, Armando A. Martinez, for 66 years. Together, they moved to Idaho in 1958 and raised 10 children. Her passed away in 2004. Rosa enjoyed the company of her family, especially the grandkids. Rosa is survived by her daughters, Mary Gloria (Rolando) Nevarez (Kimberly and Diane (Robert) Fuentes of Burley; sons, Eddie (Irene) Martinez of Oakley, Calif., Lupe (Shirley) Martinez of Blackfoot, Nicholas (Marie) Martinez of Boise, Arnold (Doris) Martinez of Rupert, David (Selena) Martinez of Boise and Tony (Irma) Martinez of Rupert; 28 grandchildren; 47 great-grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren; four brothers; and one sister. Rosa was preceded in death by her husband, Armando; her parents; sons, Armando Martinez Jr. and Albert Martinez; one grandchild, Kathy Martinez; a great-grandchild, Alyssia Rodriguez; three brothers; and one sister. "I ask you Lord, please take the hand of this woman and guide her. Tell her to feel no fear. Show her the beauty of the heavens and reunite her with the loved ones once thought lost. Reassure her of our love and remind her we will one day be together again" (written by your loving granddaughter, Jondrea Ruiz). This prayer is for our mother and grandmother; we love you very much. Viewing for family and friends will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday, April 30, at St. Nicholas Catholic Church, 802 F St. in Rupert, Idaho, with Father Mike St. Marie as celebrant. Burial will follow at the Rupert Cemetery.



DEATH NOTICES

Shannon L. Sigglin

BOISE — Shannon Lee Sigglin, 35, of Boise, died Wednesday, April 17, 2007, at her parents home in Bellevue. A graveside service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 28, at the Hailey Cemetery. Arrangements are under the care of Wood River Chapel of Hailey.

Duane Hetsley

DIETRICH — Duane Hetsley, 78, of Dietrich, died Wednesday, April 25, 2007, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. The funeral will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 28, at the Shoshone Assembly of God Church, with interment following at the West End Cemetery in Buhl. Arrangements are under the direction of Demary Funeral Service, Shoshone Chapel.

Othella Fansler

BOISE — Othella "Deb" Fansler, 85, of Boise, died Wednesday, April 25, 2007, in Caldwell. A private family service was

Robert J. Perrine

HANSEN — Robert J. Perrine, 76, of Hansen, died Thursday, April 26, 2007, at his home in Hansen. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

Ronald O. Moller

MERIDIAN — Ronald O. Moller, 59, of Meridian, died Wednesday, April 25, 2007, at a local hospital. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Cloverdale Funeral Home in Boise.

Lee Humphries

GOODING — Lee Humphries, 88, of Gooding, died Wednesday, April 25, 2007, at his residence. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Demary Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel.

Robert (Bob) Johnson

KIMBERLY — Robert (Bob) Johnson, 49, of Kimberly, was taken from us on April 19, 2007, at his home.

Bob was a loving father and a good friend to many. He was the type of person who would never say no to anyone. Bob loved his daughters and will be missed by all.

Bob is survived by his mother, Darlene Reed; and daughters, Karah Johnson and Kelsey Johnson. A celebration of Bob's life will be at 2 p.m. Monday, April 30, at the Redeemer Lutheran Church in Kimberly. A reception will follow. The family requests that, in lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Bob's name to the Redeemer Lutheran Church. Cremation was under the direction of Serenity Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

SERVICES

Louise Poulton Ashby Jones of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Burley LDS West Stake Center, 2420 Parke Ave. Friends may call 10 to 10:40 a.m. today at the church (Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley).

Hazel I. Petrallita of Longmont, Colo., and formerly of the Magic Valley area, graveside service at 11 a.m. today at the Wendell Cemetery in Wendell (Alhberg Funeral Chapel and Crematory in Longmont, Colo.).

Charles William Packham of Fairfield, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Gooding LDS Church; friends and family may call from 10 a.m. today at the church (Demary Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel).

Helen Florence Potter Slater of Twin Falls, funeral at 2 p.m. today at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

Leo Toshio Aizawa of Ellert, celebration of life as a graveside service at 11 a.m. Saturday at Sunset Memorial Park, Lakeview Columbarium in Twin Falls (Reynolds Funeral Home in Twin Falls).

James "Rod" Roderick Scott of Boise, funeral at 11 a.m. Saturday at the LDS Church, 1111 S. Cole Road in Boise; viewing from 5 to 8 p.m. today at the Bell Funeral Home, 9661 Chinden Blvd. in Boise, and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Saturday at the church (Rost Funeral Home, McMurry Chapel Mountain Home).

Lydia Ivie Anderson of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Burley LDS West Stake Center, 2420 Parke Ave. Friends may call from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Saturday at the church (Payne Mortuary in Burley).

Nyla Lou Matthews Larson of Burley, funeral at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Burley LDS 2nd, 4th and 10th Ward Chapel, 515 E. 16th St.; friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main St. in Burley, and from 10:30 to 11:45 a.m. Saturday at the church.

William McCormick of Twin Falls, funeral service at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Twin Falls Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's

Witnesses on Carriage Lane of Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

Lou J. Hessler of Jerome, funeral at 2 p.m. Saturday at Farnsworth Mortuary, 1343 S. Lincoln in Jerome; friends and family may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today and one hour before the funeral Saturday at the mortuary.

Wanda Jean Lehmons of Buhl, celebration of life from 3 to 5 p.m. Saturday at Wanda's home in Buhl; viewing from 10 to 1 p.m. Saturday at Farmer Funeral Chapel, 130 N. Ninth in Buhl.

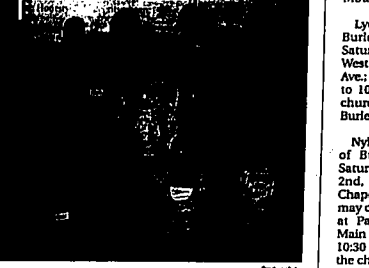
Beth Blamires of Jerome, celebration of life for family and friends from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday at the Blamires' home, 36 S. 100 W. in Jerome (Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls).

BUS DRIVER TRAINING



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Suspended lawyer, partner convicted in IRS bingo fraud case

By John Miller
Associated Press writer

BOISE — A pair of Idaho bingo parlor operators could face thousands of dollars in fines and federal prison time after they were convicted Thursday in U.S. District Court of conspiracy to defraud federal tax collectors.

William J. Iway, a suspended lawyer from Boise, and Robert J. Ford ran Big Bucks Bingo in Garden City, just west of Idaho's capital. No sentencing date has been set, but both men face a maximum five years in prison and a \$250,000 fine in the case brought by the Internal Revenue Service.

Between 1996 and 2004, they "substantially overstated the amount of monies that they claimed had been given to charity," U.S. District Attorney Tom Moss said Thursday. Idaho law requires at least 20 percent of the annual gross revenues of bingo games be given to charitable or nonprofit organizations.

Iway was also convicted of filing false returns in 1999 and 2000 for the Fred Speech Foundation, a foundation established at the time ran bingo games through Big Bucks Bingo.

Federal prosecutors said the foundation was a sham set up to enrich Iway's and Ford's personal wealth. The men had reported about \$216,000 had gone to charitable services, but prosecutors argued the money instead went to the two men.

"The bingo operations generated substantial amounts of

cash," federal prosecutors said in charging arguments. "Ford and Iway applied the cash to their own personal investments and expenses and thereby avoided the payment of personal income taxes."

Efforts to contact Iway and Ford were unsuccessful Thursday. Phone calls to Ford's lawyer, Iver Longeide, weren't immediately returned.

In 1994, the Idaho State Bar Association had recommended Iway be disbarred for improperly handling a client's funds in a police brutality case, for dishonesty and for not diligently pursuing his clients' case. Two years later, the Idaho Supreme Court voted to suspend Iway's license to practice law for five years. The bar association told The Associated Press that Iway has not applied for reinstatement.

In a separate case in early April, the Idaho Lottery Commission, which oversees state bingo operations, shuttered Big Bucks after the Idaho Supreme Court revoked the gaming licenses of two charities, Sons and Daughters of Idaho, Inc. and United States Amateur Boxing Federation, Snake River Association, that were supposedly benefiting from the games.

The Lottery Commission had determined that Iway, who along with Ford made up the two charities' bingo committees, was inappropriately profiting and bingo revenues weren't being allocated to charity in accordance with state law.

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is responsible for both the Magic Valley and the Treasure Valley.

"This is really just a formalization of our continued working relationship," Black said in a phone interview. The in-service training will cut costs of sending local and state law enforcement from Magic Valley agencies to Meridian — the current closest POST academy.

Jerome County Sheriff Jim Wever called the agreement a "wonderful idea."

"It's really a decentralization of training," Reid said. "When officers can come to Twin Falls who live near Twin Falls, it's just a big cost-saver."

Lent

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she said. "But then things got a lot easier."

Still, Lent, 69, said she enjoys working with numbers and figures, math was a favorite subject for her — and stays entertained by meeting so many different people.

"Sometimes when people come in from getting and complaining about things, you know you've been in the same boat," she said.

Lent, who is heavily

involved with her church, said she has no plans to retire and will do so when it feels right.

The other women in the office know what Lent means, Morrison echoed a similar sentiment about closeness with co-workers.

"We share a lot of lovely experiences," she said.

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Giant plastic foam spud returns after scrubdown

BLAKEFOOT (AP) — Some fretted that the giant plastic foam potato that has celebrated its birth in Blaine County's spud-growing process for more than 20 years had been snatched by vandals — but it was just taking time out for a makeover.

Four weeks after it vanished, the giant potato is back on its perch in front of the Putato Expo museum.

Mertin Wright, the Potato Expo's financial officer, said he received at least 30 telephone calls from people wondering about the tuber, which is roughly 20 feet wide and 8 feet high.

People from Canada would come in asking about the potato," Wright said. "They wanted to take their pictures in front of it."

But the potato was beginning to show the effects of

age, weather and pranks, prompting museum board members to spend \$2,500 on restoration and preservation. The work — paid through fundraising and donations; involved putting new layers of plastic foam and multiple coats of polyurethane on a wire frame. The potato symbolizes the industry in Blaine County, which produces about 2 billion pounds of taters annually.

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Man says shooting was accident

SANDPOINT (AP) — A man being held in northern Idaho's Bonner County jail says the shooting death of another man was an accident.

Gail Allan Brown, in a phone interview with the Bonner County Daily Bee, said he was trying to get control of a 22-caliber rifle held by Leslie Carlton Brown.

"He was shot as a result of a struggle over a gun between him and I," said Brown, who initiated the interview by calling the newspaper. "I was alone and had a bullet hole on me." The bingo operator said he was shot in the leg.

Brown, 46, was arrested in Fort Myers Beach, Fla., on March 20, accused of using Brown's debit card, and was returned to Idaho.

Brown, who has not been charged in Brown's death, was charged with one count of fraudulent use of a credit card and being held on \$100,000 bond. Brown said he had permission to use the card. Phil Robinson, Bonner County prosecuting attorney, said the investigation into Brown's death is "in process" and charges could be filed at its conclusion.

Tyrah Brown, 24, was picked up in Florida with her husband. She was being held in the Yellowstone County jail in Billings, Mont. Robinson said she was being held for a parole violation.

Brown, 48, was reported missing on Feb. 4 when his

abandoned truck was found. His body was found in March in the Priest Lake area.

Robinson said the cause of death was a gunshot.

Keith Brown said he and Brown had been making a business partners but had a falling out.

On the day shots were fired, Brown said Brown or his brother had a gun, and they had then either intentionally or accidentally shot Brown in the leg, and the two began struggling for the weapon.

"We were struggling back and forth and I went off," Brown told the newspaper.

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Native American women face high rape rate, report says

By Darryl Fears and Karl Lydenow
The Washington Post

One in three Native American women will be raped at some point in their lives, a rate that is more than double that for non-Indian women, according to a new report by Amnesty International.

The report, "Maze of Injustice: The Failure to Protect Indigenous Women from Sexual Violence in the USA," noted a variety of reasons that rape is so prevalent on reservations, according to its authors.

In 1978, the Supreme Court ruled in *Olliphant v. the Suquamish Indian Tribe* that tribal governments have no criminal jurisdiction over non-Indians. When a crime is committed, tribal police and their non-Indian counterparts must hash out whether the suspect is Indian or not.

Tribal governments lack the funds and staffing to patrol their lands, the report said. At the million-acre Standing Rock Sioux Reservation, which straddles North and South Dakota, seven police officers are on duty. In Alaska, where state and native police patrol a vast landscape, officers took four hours to reach the village of Nunam Iqua, during which time a barricaded suspect raped a 13-year-old girl in front of her siblings.

"It is extremely frustrating," said Jason O'Neal, chief of the Chickasaw Lighthouse Police Department in south-central Oklahoma. "It's confusing for the victim because they don't know who they should be calling. A victim of domestic violence may call 911, the sheriff's office or our office."

As a result, victims are reluctant to report

rapes because of these circumstances, the report said. When they do, their cases are often mishandled. Health facilities on native lands are so underfunded that many nurses are not trained to counsel victims of sexual assault or to use a police rape kit to gather and preserve evidence of a crime.

"It is disgraceful that such abuse exists today," said Larry Cox, Amnesty International's executive director. "Without immediate action, an already abysmal and outrageous situation for women could spiral even further out of control."

The Bush administration is aware of law enforcement problems in Indian country, said Christopher Chaney, deputy director of the Office of Justice Services for the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and has budgeted \$16 million in extra funds to help tribal police agencies.

Former E. Idaho police officer faces trial on stolen guns charges

RIGBY (AP). — A former Idaho Falls police officer accused of possessing two guns stolen by a former Idaho Falls prosecutor from the city's evidence room must stand trial, a judge has ruled.

Todd Ericsson was charged in November with two counts of grand theft by possession of stolen firearms.

At a hearing Wednesday, 7th District Court Judge Michael Kennedy concluded that the state attorney general's office had provided enough evidence to warrant a trial.

An arraignment date for Ericsson has not been set, the attorney general's office said Thursday.

In a written statement issued by Ericsson and his attorney, Ron Swafford, Ericsson said he did not know the guns he bought from Kimball Mason were stolen, the Idaho Falls Post Register reported.

State investigators say that Ericsson, a 22-year police force veteran who quit in June 2003, received two stolen guns from Mason, a former Idaho Falls prosecutor who is now in prison.

According to court documents, Ericsson sent those guns across state lines to Utah with a relative.

Mason pleaded guilty in 7th District Court to two counts of grand theft and one count of falsifying a public document in April 2006, and was sentenced to one to five years in prison.

In February, he pleaded guilty to two more counts of grand theft and four counts of forgery, and last month was given a second sentence of three to 10 years.

Judge defends change of venue in Erick Hall murder case

By Rebecca Boone
Associated Press writer

BOISE — The judge in the case of a death row inmate accused in another slaying on Thursday defended his decision to use an outside jury, saying it is a case of "fundamental fairness" to the defendant.

Erick Virgil Hall is charged with first-degree murder in the rape and strangulation of Cheryl Ann Hanlon, whose body was found in March 2003 in the foothills north of Boise. He has already been sentenced to death for the 2000 murder and rape of New York flight attendant Lynn Henneman, whose body was discovered along the Boise greenbelt.

Detectives did not originally suspect a link between the two deaths, but after Hall was arrested and charged with Hanlon's slaying, a DNA sample linked him to Henneman's murder.

Hall's trial in Hanlon's death

will likely begin in September, but 4th District Judge Thomas Neville said at a hearing he had not yet decided where.

Hall was originally expected to stand trial in Ada County. But Neville ordered a change of venue last week, saying the pool of potential jurors had been tainted by a headline in *The Idaho Statesman* linking Hall to Henneman's murder.

The newspaper responded with an editorial that contended the judge underestimated the ability of jurors to be impartial.

"It's unrealistic to expect

Bolesans to forget what they know," the editorial stated. "Hall's conviction complicated the job of selecting jurors to consider a second first-degree murder charge against him. Still, we think a smart, diligent panel of Ada County jurors could have set aside their knowledge of the Henneman case, and considered only the evidence presented in a trial."

But Neville said at Thursday's hearing he was convinced he made the right decision, calling the impact of the headline "undeniable."



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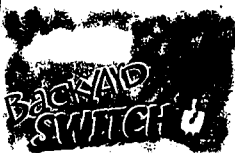
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As Virginia Tech grieves, little anger expressed toward gunman

By Sue Lindsay
Associated Press writer

BLACKSBURG, Va. — Kelly White and her two children visited the semicircle of memorials on the Virginia Tech campus, leaving 32 pink tulips — one for each victim in last week's massacre. They also placed a tulip on the stone for gunman Seung-Hui Cho.

"Forgiveness is part of being freed from anger," said White, a Blacksburg resident with relatives who attended the school. "I try to teach my children that God loves everyone."

Cho mercilessly slaughtered 32 people in the worst shooting in modern U.S. history. But there has been surprisingly little outrage directed toward him around campus.

He is memorialized alongside his victims, and students preach forgiveness and talk about him like a troubled family member.

Caroline Morrey, 22, jumped to safety but a classroom window in the building where Cho killed 30 people and himself. She said she was angry at Cho, but also feels sorry for him. "I don't know how I can be feeling that of those things at the same time, but I do."

Campus leaders, experts and those touched by the tragedy say there are several reasons for



Celeste Leizer, 19, sits in the rain Thursday next to a memorial stone for her friend Caitlin Hammars on the Virginia Tech campus in Blacksburg, Va. Hammars was one of 32 people killed by gunman Seung-Hui Cho, 23, after he went on a shooting spree at the campus April 16.

the spirit of forgiveness. Many people are too overcome by grief to think about anything else. The fact that Cho killed himself provided enough retribution, some say. Others say the forgiveness is rooted in the strong Christian values of this area.

And there's also the loyalty to the "Hokie Nation."

After a student organization placed the stone memorials in a semicircle last week on the main campus lawn, senior Katelynn L. Johnson added a 33rd stone for Cho. Johnson

said she told almost no one about the stone because she feared a backlash.

She came forward after someone took it away, because she was outraged by the brief removal of the rock. She says she accepts all "fellow students, faculty and alumni as Hokies" no matter what problems they have.

"I believe his life had value no matter what he did," she said, "we lost 33 people."

Johnson said she has received hundreds of messages supporting placement of the

stone for Cho. She only got a few negative responses, and only one from the Tech community.

After the first stone for Cho was removed, someone else came forward and placed a new one there. As of Thursday, the stone remained.

The appearance and disappearance of the stone reflects the community's struggle to come to terms with the massacre.

Virginia Tech has not included Cho in its memorial services for the 32 victims. A bell chimed 33 times Monday on the campus lawn, but university officials said the first chime was to start the ceremony. Officials also released 32 balloons into the air to remember Cho's victims.

The university so far has had no contact with Cho's family and does not plan to award him a posthumous degree as it will the students he killed, spokesman Mark Owczarski said.

The Rev. Scott Russell, an Episcopal minister at Virginia Tech, said he talked to some students who feel that they need to acknowledge Cho's death because the family deserves compassion. But he said many more students aren't able to forgive.

Brian Britt, a Virginia Tech professor of religious studies, said he was impressed that a 33rd stone had been added in the first place. "That's very hard for people to do," he said. "Some people will never do that."

The lack of visible anger also may mean that people have not reached that stage of grief yet, said Melissa Bryner, director of terrorism-disaster programs at the UCLA-Duke National Center for Child Traumatic Stress.

"It's so early on that people are worried about the injured getting healthy, keeping their spirits high, encouraging them," she said Thursday.

"Typically, after a few months you feel the anger," she said. "Just because it's not spoken doesn't mean it's not there. And there is anger because somebody has taken away their classmates."

Anne Lynam Goddard's son Colin was wounded during Cho's barrage on a French class, leading to a wide range of emotions among the family.

Colin is angry, referring to Cho only as "the shooter." So is Goddard's husband, Andy, who came face-to-face with a big-screen TV image of Cho painting a gun at him last week when he walked into a hotel

breakfast room. Andy Goddard is so furious that Cho was able to get guns despite his mental problems that his wife won't be surprised if he channels his energy into gun-control lobbying.

"If there's any anger building up, it might be about the whole system — that he slipped through the cracks," said Goddard, director of Richmond-based Christian Children's Foundation. "I'm also angry that he got the guns so readily, so easily."

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China's grandiose plans for torch relay engulfed in conflict with Taiwan

BEIJING (AP) — China's grandiose plans for the torch relay, the high-profile prelude to the 2008 Beijing Olympics, have been engulfed in conflict with an old political rival — Taiwan.

Within hours of Beijing's announcement Thursday of what would be the longest torch relay in Olympic history — an 85,000-mile, 130-day route that would cross five continents and scale Mount Everest — Taiwan rejected its inclusion.

"It is something that the government and people cannot accept," Tsai Chen-wei, the head of Taiwan's Olympic Committee, said in the Taiwanese capital, Taipei.

The episode underscores the deep mistrust between Beijing and Taipei, antagonists in an unresolved civil war, and how entwined the Olympics become with politics.

The torch also is supposed to pass through another political hotspot, the Himalayan region of Tibet that China has controlled for 57 years, often with heavy handed rule. Four American activists were detained by Chinese authorities Wednesday on Mount Everest after they unfurled a

Olympic flame
The Beijing Olympics Torch, created over two and a half years, has a scroll-like shape and etchings that depict graphic clouds.

Propane flame 10-12 inch flame burns approx. 15 minutes with no wind.

Aluminum

SOURCE: International Olympic Committee

International Olympic Committee, organizers unveiled the torch and showed a video of the proposed route.

"It will be a relay that will cover the longest distance and be most inclusive and involve the most people in Olympic history," said Liu Qi, the head of Beijing's Olympic organizing committee.

The relay, which is supposed to embody the Olympic values of friendship through sports, is a popular public relations tool and the only contact most people have with the Olympics.

As with all Olympics, next year's relay will begin in Greece on March 25. After circling Greece, it arrives in Beijing on March 31.

Following that, it will wind across Asia, Europe, the Americas, Africa and then back to Asia and China before the torch ignites the cauldron at the opening ceremony on Aug. 8, 2008, in Beijing's 91,000-seat National Stadium.

banner calling for Tibet's independence. The controversies dimmed the gloss on Beijing's long-awaited announcement of the torch route.

At a nationally televised ceremony attended by senior members of China's ruling Communist Party and the

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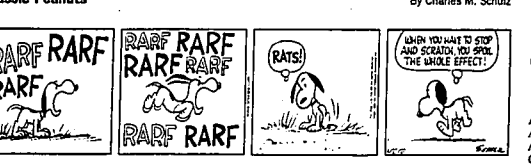
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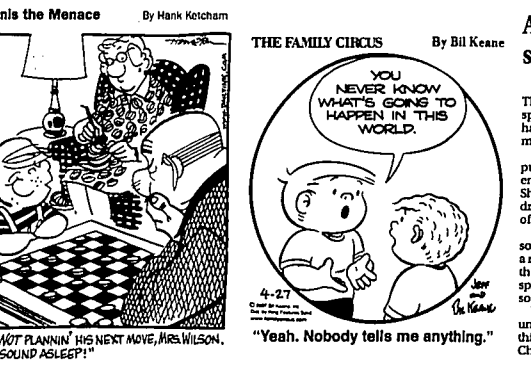
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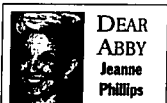
Mama's change of heart provokes family dispute

DEAR ABBY: When I heard that my 83-year-old mother was on life support, I caught the first plane to California to be with her. I am listed as the executor of her estate, and last year she had told me where I would find all the necessary papers I would need when the "time comes." Upon my arrival at the hospital, the doctor told my sister and me that Mama had a very slim chance of survival.

When I left the hospital to spend the night at Mama's house, I located the papers, figuring I'd need them after her impending death. I opened the box and found a handwritten letter on top of the stack of papers. It had been written by Mama exactly two months before. It was her last wishes for her funeral.

Unknown to anyone, she had changed her mind and decided she wanted no memorial at a church, only a graveside service. Shocked to read her last wishes, I felt it would be better to inform the family before she died rather than wait until we'd been more distraught.

Well, the doctor was wrong. Mama survived a heart valve replacement and is doing well. My sister feels I was wrong to share that information while Mama was still alive. Should I



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

have waited?
—SECOND-GUESSED IN OHIO

DEAR SECOND-GUESSED: Your sister is entitled to her opinion, but in mine you did the right thing. The reason you stated, I'm pleased your mother survived the procedure and is doing well. Now everyone can discuss her last wishes with her, and if there are any bones to be picked, they can pick them with her.

DEAR ABBY: I just got out of college and have a part-time job in my field. The hours are horrible, but my job has been pretty easy and laid-back, so I had no problems.

Well, my job just got "upgraded," which means more responsibilities but no pay raise, and I am now being assigned more tasks than I can handle that early in the morning. I keep nodding off because no matter how much sleep I get, I just can't function that early.

There are other shifts that are open later in the day, and I have been thinking about asking my boss if he could put me on those, but my parents say it would be a huge mistake, and it will get me fired.

I want to keep my job, but I am just not a morning person (for the record, I tried doing the extra shifts for a few days, and I literally made me sick and bedridden for two days). Any advice?

—**TOO TIRED IN** IN OHIO

DEAR TOO TIRED: When it comes to biorhythms, not everyone is created alike. Some people are "larks" who spring out of bed fully alert in the morning, and that's the part of the day they are at their best. Others are "trolls" who function best during the afternoon and evening. The rest are "owls." A lot of people in the entertainment business and those who work swing shifts fall into this latter category.

Because you are obviously not a lark, it seems you have two choices. The first is to approach your boss and explain that you could do a far more efficient and effective job if you were assigned to a later shift. The alternatives would be to change jobs or find another field of endeavor entirely.

TODAY IN HISTORY

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, April 27, the 117th day of 2007. There are 248 days left in the year.

Today's highlight

On April 27, 1805, during the First Barbary War, an American-led force of Marines and mercenaries captured the city of Derna, on the shores of Tripoli.

On this date

In 1509, Pope Julius II excommunicated the republic of Venice. (The pope lifted the ban in February 1510.)

In 1521, Portuguese explorer Ferdinand Magellan was killed by natives in the Philippines.

In 1822, the 18th president of the United States, Ulysses S. Grant, was born in Point Pleasant, Ohio.

In 1865, the steamer Sultana exploded on the Mississippi River near Memphis, Tennessee, killing more than 1,400 people, mostly Union prisoners of war.

In 1932, American poet Hart Crane, 32, drowned after jumping from a steamer into the Gulf of Mexico while en route to New York.

In 1947, it was "Babe Ruth Day" at Yankee Stadium as baseball fans, not just in New York, but across the country as well, honored the all-star star.

In 1967, Expo '67 was officially opened in Montreal by Canadian Prime Minister Lester B. Pearson.

In 1973, during the Watergate scandal, Acting FBI Director L. Patrick Gray resigned.

In 1978, convicted Watergate defendant John D. Ehrlichman was released from an Arizona prison after serving 18 months.

Ten years ago: President Clinton along with former presidents George Bush and Jimmy Carter, helped polish gritty city streets in Philadelphia as they launched the three-day Summit for America's Future, a gathering on community service also attended by former President

Gerald Ford and former first lady Nancy Reagan.

Five years ago: South African entrepreneur Mark Shuttleworth arrived at the international space station for an eight-day, seven-night cruise that had cost him \$20 million. A biker brawl at Harrah's Casino in Laughlin, Nev., left three bikers dead and 12 others wounded. Derek Lowe of the Boston Red Sox pitched a no-hitter against the Tampa Bay Devil Rays. IBM, Mattel toy company cofounder Ruth Handler, who created the Barbie doll, died in Los Angeles at age 85.

One year ago: Construction began on the 1,776-ft-tall Freedom Tower that will stand on the site of the World Trade Center in New York City. The publisher of the teen novel "How Girls Get the Guy," "Go Wild and Get a Life" pulled the book off the market after its author, Harvard student Kaavya Viswanathan acknowledged the numerous passages had been lifted from another writer.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS

- Actor Jack Klugman is 85.
- Actress Anouk Almece is 75.
- Actor James Casey Kasem is 75.
- Actress Judy Carne is 68.
- Rhythm-and-blues singer Cubie Gooding is 63.
- Singer Ann Peebles is 60.
- Rock singer Kate Pierson (The B-52's) is 59.
- Rhythm-and-blues singer Herbie Murrell (The Stylites) is 58.
- Actor Douglas Sheehan is 58.
- Rock musician Ace Frehley is 56.
- Pop singer Sheena Easton is 48.
- Actor James Van Der Beek is 45.
- Rock musician Rob Squires (Big Head Todd and the Monsters) is 42.
- Singer Mica Paris is 39.
- Rock singer-musician Travis McCoy (Days of the New) is 28.
- Rock singer-musician Patrick Stump (Fall Out Boy) is 23.

THOUGHT

"The trouble with our age is all signposts and no destination."
— Louis Kronenberger, American author (1904-1980).

Fire official clocks peer with mug

KEY CENTER, Wash. (AP) — A local fire commissioner was charged with accepting fellow commissioner with a coffee mug, the latest out-break in a feud that a sheriff's spokesman says needs to end before someone gets killed.

The commissioners, 71-year-old Allen Yanity and 64-year-old Jim Bosch, both of Lakebay, got into a heated exchange Tuesday during a break in a meeting as they were standing with their wives, sheriff's Detective Ed Troyer said.

Yanity bashed Bosch repeatedly on the head with a coffee mug, Troyer said. A cut on Bosch's head required staples to close, prosecutors said.

Yanity said he didn't know exactly what happened during the struggle but that he might have hit Bosch with a coffee mug, according to prosecutors.

Alabama man deflated after bizarre soda episode leads to lengthy jail

MOBILE, Ala. (AP) — There's no use crying over spilled milk, but spilled soda has been a nightmare for one man.

Eric Burns Overstreet was put in jail in September after entering the Mystik Stop & Shop, paying for a fountain drink and spilling three cups of it onto the floor.

The first time he spilled the soda, Overstreet went to fetch a mop and began cleaning up the mess. In the process, he spilled a second and a third soft drink.

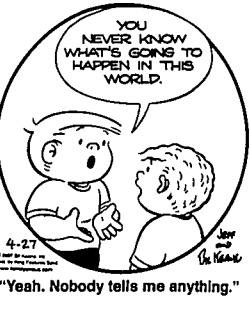
He clearly appeared to be under the influence of something other than good sense," Chief Assistant District Attorney Nickl Patterson said.

Overstreet, who at one point put a yellow "Wet Floor" warning sign out on the mopped-up mess, was chased down by a clerk when he grabbed the another soft drink and left without paying for it.

Overstreet pleading guilty last week to a reduced charge of third-degree theft. He was given a one-year suspended sentence and ordered to stay out of the Mystik Stop & Shop.

Circuit Judge Rick Stout, noting that Overstreet had spent many months in jail over a carbonated beverage, said he hoped the soda was good.

THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"Yeah. Nobody tells me anything."

WORLD

Army officer accused of aiding the enemy, faces death penalty

BAGHDAD (AP) — A U.S. officer has been accused of aiding the enemy — a charge that carries the death penalty — for allegedly providing an unmonitored cell phone to detainees while he was in charge of an MP detachment at the jail that held Saddam Hussein, the military said Thursday.

Army Lt. Col. William H. Steele faces nine charges in all, including fraternizing with a prisoner's daughter, storing and marking classified material, maintaining an inappropriate relationship with an interpreter and possessing pornographic videos.

The rare charges were among the most serious levied against a senior American officer in Iraq, but were the latest in a series of embarrassments for the U.S. military detention system here.

The alleged incidents occurred from October 2005 to this February, starting when Steele was commander of the 451st Military Police Detachment at Camp Cropper on the western outskirts of Baghdad and in his later post as a senior patrol officer for the provincial transition team headquarters at nearby Camp Victory, the main U.S. military base.

Steele was detained in March and is being held in Kuwait pending an Article 32 hearing, the military equivalent of a grand jury hearing, officials said. His age and hometown were not released.

The U.S. military command declined to comment on the case but stressed nothing had been proven. "These are troublesome allegations, but again they are just allegations at the moment," the main U.S. mil-

itary spokesman, Maj. Gen. William Caldwell, told The Associated Press Radio.

The most serious charge, aiding the enemy, was tied to Steele's time at the jail at Camp Cropper. Military officials refused to give any details about the charge, including

who used the phone and how. Saddam spent most of his final days at the Camp Cropper jail before his Dec. 30 execution at an Iraqi military base in northern Baghdad, and many members of his regime remain among the facility's 3,000 or so prisoners.

Building collapses in Istanbul; at least two people rescued

ISTANBUL, Turkey (AP) — An apartment building collapsed Thursday on a crowded street in Istanbul, and rescuers pulled two people from the rubble, local media said.

As dusk fell, it was unclear whether anyone else was trapped beneath the debris.

Mayor Kadir Topbas said the collapse was the result of "serious negligence" by a contractor hired to tear down a building next door. He said careless work had damaged the foundation of the apartment building.

Local media said rescuers pulled two injured people from beneath the rubble. It was not immediately clear how seriously they were injured.

Residents were evacuated from the building just before it collapsed when a "cracking" sound was heard, Istanbul Gov. Muammer Guler said, adding that one or two reportedly had gone back inside to pick up their belongings.

There were conflicting reports on whether the structure was six or eight stories.

Vesile Vural, 55, said she saw the collapse from her apartment across the street. "There were construction workers working on a new building next door, we were watching that," she said. "Then the other building collapsed all of a sudden. In a second, everything was under a cloud of dust."

The aftermath of the collapse was chaotic. Hundreds of rescuers in orange and red uniforms clambered over the rubble, and dogs crawled through spaces in the wreckage in a search for possible survivors.

One elderly woman wept as she tried to lift debris with her bare hands.

Other women wailed as they walked past the rubble and a large crowd gathered around the site. Rescuers appealed for quiet so they could hear whether people were trapped. Radiators, pipes, stoves and other household items juttied at odd angles from the pile.

At dusk, rescuers set up lights on tripods and formed a human chain to remove debris.

Authorities evacuated two other nearby buildings as a precaution, said district official Osman Devetoglu.

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Do you tailgate or float-boat?

If Gore-Tex, EVA, Kelly, ATV, Pepsi Chicken, and Wild Cherry Panic sound familiar, you're a competitive camper.

The adjective of preference for the backpacker is lightest. The lightest pack, of course including high-tech structural integrity for displacing



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weight and altering pack position at will; the lightest boots, of course including "waterproof breathable Gore-Tex (wouldn't have them without Gore-Tex); "dual density EVA, and one-pull ghillie lacing, total weight 2 pounds, 6 ounces per pair; and the lightest underwear, of course including moisture-wicking, antimicrobial protection, and quick-drying polyester. Sound slick? It is.

Backpacking aside, there are two styles of camping, tailgate and float-boat, that engulf most of Idaho's competitiveness.

The tailgate camper (from the back of a pickup or the trunk of a car) isn't affected by weight or bulk. If equipment is heavy (sturdy or large (spacious) get a bigger car or truck or ... add a rocket box or trailer. And for the half-day hike, one doesn't need a backpack, take along an ATV-all-terrain vehicle.

Food's the killer. Tailgate campers bring the 7-Eleven. They like potato chips. Diet Pepsi, potato salad, fried chicken, watermelon, bottled beer, and smores. The tailgate camper prides him/herself in bringing enough and enough for the neighboring camper. "Have some. We brought enough to feed an army. Have some. Want a beer? Bet we have more beer than you have."

Tents are superno. They aren't the lightweight (4 pounds) tent of the backpacker. Weight (10 to 15 pounds) isn't an issue. What is important is space. A tent for these folks must be a Hilton.

It's important that Jane can stand up to get dressed, that she can lay out her three duffel bags (T.L. Bean of course) and make-up kit, which resembles a three-tiered tackle box.

A chair would be nice. If there are racks on the pickup or a trailer behind the car, there's a chair just for the tent — not to mention camp chairs with which to lounge around the campfire.

Breakfast is the real trademark of the tailgate camper. It's important to fry 4 pounds of bacon, early, earlier than the neighbor who nearly drank all of your beer.

"There's nothing like the smell of bacon in the outdoors, makes a guy want to eat ten pancakes, a couple pounds of hash browns, and drink a gallon of milk."

And it's inevitable that the guy with the most bacon has the truck that gets the best gas mileage. (Something to talk about during the heat of day while the iPods blare and the nappers snore.)

"It doesn't matter how much stuff we bring along. This truck gets 17.5."

"Mine's affected by weight, but on the highway, I get 18 to 20."

"Want a beer?"

The float-boater is another animal all together. Weight and size do matter, but unlike the backpacker, ounces don't. And unlike the tailgate camper, tons do.

The float-boater is the betwixt camper. The issues of weight manifest issues of

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Not just talkin' turkey

Son opens turkey season with dad in northern Idaho

By Paul Brown
Times-News correspondent

"Dad, Dad! He's right there!" Doug yelled. Before I could see the tom or react there was a blast 10 yards behind me and to the left. Doug had topped the tom with a charge of No. 4 lead-shot from his 20-gauge pump gun.

We had made the nine-hour drive to north Idaho where we stayed with a friend Saturday night and prepared for the opening of turkey season on Sunday morning. Our friend, Cameron was also our local guide.

We were up and running at 4 a.m. to allow enough time to reach the hunting area by twilight. The rain part of the day Saturday had ceased by morning leaving a muddy mess on the back roads but making the turkey woods a quieter place for stalking.

We drove the back roads, stopping at intervals to listen for "turkey talk" and return calls or imitate a call and listen for an answer. The first pull out netted a "gobbie, gobbie" some distance up the hill past a clear cut. The three of us hustled up the rain soaked mountain with decoy



The author shows off a beautiful Merriam tom turkey. Signs of a good bird include a colorful fan, good spurs and a respectable beard and wattle.

in hand, stopping periodically to return the "gobbie, gobbie" bouncing off the wet trees with our hen call. We found a spot amenable to our purpose and set up the decoy.

"Gobbie, Gobbie" then "squawk, squawk" from the

hen call continued for several minutes. The tom wasn't taking the bait, he kept his distance.

Eventually we split up. Cameron went to the right to circle around the amorous tom. Doug and I went to the

left working in on the bird from the opposite side. Making our way through the heavy thick undergrowth and towering pines for a couple of hundred yards, we broke out into a clear cut hillside with green grass. Four turkeys were scattered across the hillside pecking periodically at unseen objects on the ground.

A couple of them were occasionally strutting and fanning out wing and tail feathers, slowly feeding our direction at the edge of the timber. One more "squawk, squawk" on the hen call was tantalizing enough to lure one of the toms right up within range. I never saw the bird after it reached the edge of the trees until Doug toppled it from behind and to the left of me.

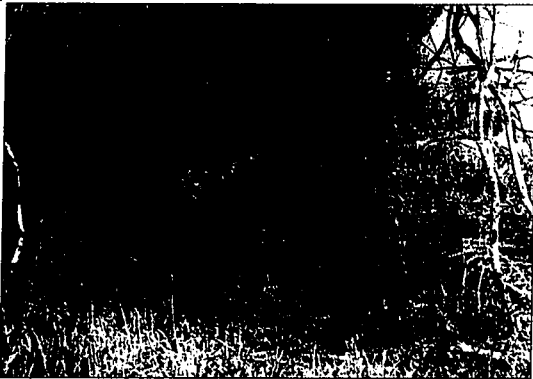
We drove up the road one-half mile looking to repeat the performance. We stopped and shut down the engine to listen for more "turkey talk."

Immediately following a squawk on Cameron's hen call, a tom began his mating song with a "gobbie, gobbie." Determining the exact location from their noise-making is really difficult. After a few hundred yards and more calling back and forth we each

took up a position behind a convenient tree with fewer limbs at shoulder height to allow shooting from with a shotgun. The camouflage clothing complete with face masks made us well concealed beside a tree trunk. Two toms came slowly strolling into view about 70 yards out. We did nothing now except stay very still and quiet. Slowly the male Merriams drifted our way as they picked up things to eat from the ground while looking for a female.

I topped the leading tom at 40 yards with No. 4 shot. 3-inch grand slam turkey load from my 12-gauge. He was a pretty bird with good spurs and a respectable beard and wattle.

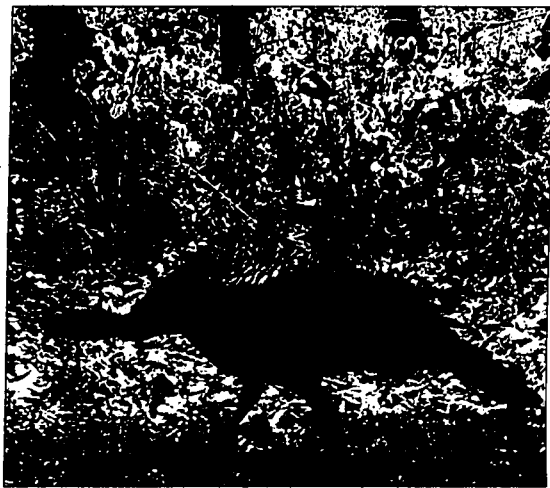
Wild turkeys are not native to Idaho. They were first transplanted near Higgins in 1961. There are three species within the state, the predominant type being the Merriams. The Rio Grande and the Eastern wild turkey make up less than 10 percent of the state's population. According to Mike Demick from the Lewiston regional office of Idaho Fish and Game, over one-half of the harvested turkeys, come from the Clearwater area.



Turkey hunters should settle in for a day's hunt with camouflage for maximum stealth and a patient eye.



A hen will lay a clutch of 10 to 14 eggs, usually one a day before she begins her setting period of 28 days, and until this time eggs only need to be turned daily (not all week) to remain viable for the hatch. Poultry hatch and leave the nest within 24 hours.

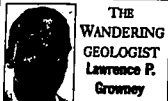


Hens like this one weigh around 10 to 14 pounds, and appear much smaller than the size of a gobbler.

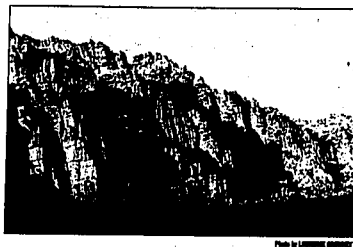
OUTDOORS

The fractured castle of Meadow Creek

Most outcrops of solid rock are laced with fractures. When dealing with igneous rocks, these fractures are referred to as joints which are the result of contraction of the hot material as it cools.



THE WANDERING GEOLOGIST
Lawrence P. Gurney



The north canyon wall of highly jointed granite tilts to the north due to a fault, not of the picture to the left, that pulled the block down.

Joints may also be produced by tectonic crustal forces that push or pull on the mass some time after the rock has cooled completely. Movement along fault lines is one way to produce these crustal forces.

Just east of Highway 93 in the area of Contact, Nev., Meadow Creek has created a short canyon with a highly jointed, tilted outcrop of granite forming the north wall and a nearly vertically jointed mass of granite forming the south wall.

Stretch your imagination, this short, but spectacular north wall has the appearance of a light yellowish-brown, tilted-plate castle constructed of long, slender bricks and blocks.

The spires and parapets rise as much as fifty feet above the normally dry streambed.

While these outcrops are visually appealing, particularly when the sky takes on a vivid pastel hue, they are particularly intriguing from an analytical perspective. The preponderance of vertically oriented joints, now tilted slightly to the north, suggest an active geological history involving pulling the east side of the mountain to the east, and the west side to the west in what is technically called tensional stress. In response to this stress, the granite broke,

forming the vertical joints. Over time, the effects of weather and erosion combined to widen the joints, creating the appearance of parapets and towers.

In addition to the joints that slice the granite into slender strips and chunky blocks, the entire north wall block appears to have been tilted downward to the north.

It would seem that, in addition to the faults on the east and west side of this north canyon wall block of granite, which may be responsible for the majority of joints, a fault on the north side of this block

may have moved as well. This fault pulled the north side of the granite down to produce the northerly tilt in the block and separating the north wall block from the larger mass of granite to the south.

This is why the joints found on the south canyon wall granite are not tilted to the north. Their orientation may represent the original position of the joints in the granite mass before the north block separated and dropped. This also explains why Meadow Creek flows through a harder granite, rather than finding a route through the soft sediments just to the north of this large granite block.

Following the depression created by the fault line, or break, that separated the tilted north block from the rest of the granite to the south.

Amazing outcrops of jointed granite can be found both east and west of Contact for a number of miles. By noting the orientation of the joints seen in these outcrops, you can reconstruct the crustal stresses that moved and strained the rock, and gain a sense of how crustal movements in these outcrops have modified the original granite rock mass to create the topography we see today.

OUTDOORS BRIEFS

Horse group plans membership meeting

HANSEN — The High Desert Back Country Horsemen will hold their general membership meeting featuring a potluck dinner, at 6:30 p.m. May 8 at the home of Norm McGuire, located one mile north of Hansen.

Shoshone Falls led by Larry Gronwey. Participants will realize a variety of hidden wonders he exposed in the Snake River Canyon. The trip requires very little walking, all on paved or gravel surfaces. Cost is \$15. Pre-registration is required. Meet at the Twin Falls Senior Citizen Center, 530 Shoshone St. W., at 9:30 a.m.

T.F. Parks and Recreation offers outdoor events

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Department has several offerings available in early May:

May 6: A Thousand Springs paddling adventure will take participants to visit Box Springs and Blue Heart Springs where they merge with the Snake River. The seven-mile trip — from Banbury Springs to Silgar's Resort takes about five hours. Participants must bring their own lunch. A cost of \$40, pre-registration is required. Cost is \$35 per person. Pre-registration is required. Meet at Silgar's Thousand Springs Resort at 11 a.m.

May 8: Senior citizens are encouraged to participate in a two-hour geological tour of

May 11: A scenic evening trip on a pontoon boat will travel from Centennial Park to Pine Falls. The excursion is recommended for seniors and families with small children. Cost is \$15 per person. Pre-registration is required. Meet at Centennial Park at 5 p.m.

May 12: A beginning to intermediate four-hour rafting trip covering 10 miles of the scenic Hagerman section of the Snake River features plenty of whitewater. Participants must bring their own lunch. A cooler with ice and beverages will be provided. Cost is \$40, pre-registration is required. Meet at the put-in below Lower Salmon Falls Dam at 1:30 p.m.

For more information or to register, call 736-2265 or stop by the Twin Falls Parks and Recreation office at 136 Maxwell Ave.

FISH AND GAME BRIEFS

Record northern pike caught by Hayden man

COEUR D'ALENE — Bob Ringer of Hayden brought in a new Idaho record northern pike on the morning of Tuesday, April 17.

He hauled the monster pike out of Coeur d'Alene Lake's Cougar Bay, weighing in at 39 pounds, 13 ounces, 46.5 inches long with a 27.5-inch girth.

That's more than a pound heavier than the previous record.

Two northern pike have weighed in at 38 pounds 9 ounces each. The first one was caught in Coeur d'Alene Lake by Dennis Hicks of Post Falls April 11, 1992, and the second fish, the same size, was caught in Hayden Lake by Walter Estes of Spirit Lake March 19, 2002.

Hicks caught his record fish on a spoon, and Estes caught his record-tying one, on a mallet. Ringer caught his record breaker on a dead perch.

Apply early, win big bucks

The application period for this fall's deer, elk, pronghorn and black bear controlled hunts starts Tuesday, May 1, and runs through June 5.

But hunters who apply early not only avoid the last-minute rush. They have a chance to win cash.

The Idaho Department of Fish and Game's annual early application contest for 2007 for those controlled hunts will be handing out one \$550 prize and one \$450 prize to two lucky winners.

Hunters who get their applications in by May 10 will be eligible to win \$550 in the May 15 drawing. Those who get their

applications in by May 20 will be eligible to win \$450 in the May 25 drawing. Applications in by May 10 also will be eligible for the May 25 drawing, except for the winner of the May 15 drawing.

Applications may be made by phone at 1-800-554-8685 or 1-800-824-3729, at Fish and Game offices, license vendors or on the Internet at: <http://fishandgame.idaho.gov>.

Others not applying for a controlled hunt may submit their name, age, address, and telephone number on a 3- by 5-inch piece of plain paper to: IDFG Early Application Contest, P.O. Box 25, Boise, ID 83707.

The drawing is funded by Coeur d'Alene and sponsored by the Idaho Fish and Wildlife Foundation. The drawing encourages hunters to apply early and helps avoid last-minute congestion on popular vendor computer terminals.

The silent secret of snakes

Do snakes have legs? What kinds of snakes live in Idaho? What do I do if I see a rattlesnake? Which snake has a name based on the first Olympian games? Do Boa constrictors live in Idaho?

These and other snake secrets will be answered at 1 p.m. Sunday, April 29, 2007 at the Morrison Knudsen Nature Center, 600 S. Walnut, Boise.

Wildlife educator Frank Landburg will present the program with the help of native and exotic snakes and lizards, including rattlesnakes. Because the presentation includes live animals, seating is limited and on a first-come,

first served basis. Cost is \$5 per person, and free for children under 12.

The program will include discussion and identification of selected native and exotic snakes and lizards, including the western rattlesnake. Participants will be able to view and touch various snakes and lizards from around the world including an endangered boa constrictor from Madagascar and the endangered Gila monster from the southwestern United States.

Landburg educates the public on topics such as the care and safe handling of reptiles as well as the natural history of the animals. Sunday's program will have something of interest for all ages and family members.

Nature Center doors will open at 11 a.m. on April 29 at the Nature Center so visitors can enjoy other center displays.

Trophy species applications due

The deadline for moose, bighorn sheep and mountain goat hunts controlled hunt applications is fast approaching.

Hunters have through April 30 to apply for these hunts. Apply at Fish and Game offices or license vendors, or apply using a credit card by telephone or over the Internet.

Trophy applications may be made at 1-800-554-8685. Internet users may apply through Fish and Game's website at <http://fishandgame.idaho.gov/>.

The second hunt application period runs from June 15 through 25 for leftover hunts.

Each applicant must possess a valid 2007 Idaho hunting or combination license to apply for a controlled hunt. License fees will not be refunded.

For moose, goat and sheep hunt applications only, the entire application fee must be paid with the application, all but the \$6.25 application fee will be refunded to those who do not draw. The resident applicant including permit fees costs \$175. Non-residents pay \$175.75.

Unsuccessful resident applicants will receive a refund of \$174.50; unsuccessful nonresident applicants will receive a refund of \$175.50.

Mailed applications must be postmarked no later than April 30.

Hunters who apply for moose, goat and sheep will not apply for other controlled hunts in the same year except for unlimited controlled hunts, extra deer, elk or pronghorn hunts, controlled bear, antelope or deerprawn hunts. Those who draw a moose, goat or sheep permit may not apply to hunt the same species for two years, even if they don't kill an animal.

Any person who has killed an antlered moose in Idaho may apply only for an antlered moose permit. Any person who has killed an antlered moose in Idaho may apply only for an antlered moose permit. Any person who has killed a mountain goat in Idaho may apply only for a mountain goat permit. Anyone who has killed a California bighorn or a Rocky Mountain bighorn may not apply again for the same type of sheep, but may apply for the other subspecies.

Mule Deer Foundation fundraiser set for May 5

TWIN FALLS — People who love hunting or mule deer hunting, or just want to help mule deer, can attend the 11th annual Mule Deer Foundation Fundraiser and barbecue at 3 p.m. May 5, at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds.

"It is always a great time," said Dan Hansen, state chairman for the Mule Deer Foundation and the event's president. "The food is great; we have tons of prizes and we are raising money for mule deer — how much better could it be?"

The doors will open at 3 p.m. Dinner begins at 5 p.m. with barbecue tri-tip steak, Dutch oven potatoes, vegetables, salad and a dinner roll on the main course. The menu will be topped off with Dutch oven desserts.

Tickets range in price from \$25 for a sponsorship, \$40 for a regular membership, two dinner tickets, \$100 in raffle tickets, and a 1-in-10 chance of winning a Browning A Bolt Magnum rifle. A regular membership and dinner tickets cost \$75, with children between 8-12 years old costing \$10 each.

"The money all goes to a good cause," said Hansen. "It is all earmarked for mule

deer habitat improvement programs, mule deer research, or helping mule deer in some way."

located in the Magic Valley. Mule Deer Foundation members have been instrumental in the effort of improving mule deer habitat. More than 400 volunteers have participated in a course of haterbrush this year alone.

Last year, club members cooked meals for more than 600 volunteers who planted 36,000 haterbrush plants across the Magic Valley's mule deer winter range. This year they are planning meals for more than 500 volunteers that are working toward planting 55,000 plants.

"It is a huge effort, but working with the Idaho Department of Fish and Game on this project has provided our chapter and membership some great satisfaction," Hansen said. "We know we are doing something good for mule deer around the areas that we hunt and live."

Buy tickets early. Seating is limited to 250 people and those purchasing tickets before the areas that we hunt and live."

For more information on the fundraiser, call Ron Bishop at 324-5770 or Dan Hansen at 731-7270.

Camping

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size, least of size manifest quantities. Quarters for 2007 decisions. You can't bring the 7-Eleven or an ATV. And all of this is further compounded by water flow-how much water is it upon which to flow your boat.

If one decides to bring a tent, it can be just spacious enough for Jane to stand hunched over while she dresses. It must and will accommodate her only ductile bag.

Other items like a camp chair with beer can holder, sandals, flip-flops (both of which are lighter than the backpacker's boots) and pillow are possible. Food for the float-boater is generally simple. Lunch is assorted meat, bread, pickles, and onion. Breakfast is bagels and cream cheese.

Dinner is the float-boater's glutinous contribution to competitive camping. Dinner is at least something of which tui-gate campers dream, and something pack packers suppress with

Freudian exactness.

Among float-boaters, there's an ongoing competition on how to prepare the best entree and dessert. Entres run from Pepsi-chicken or Dutch-oven lasagna to grilled lobster and steaks.

Dessert is a late-night exquisite Dutch oven affair, but you have to stay up until midnight to get a piece. There's up-side-down cake, strudel, cherry picnic, and of course, brownies.

Note: the competitive float-boating chef will leave behind his wife if it means his Dutch ovens have to be jettisoned. That's how it is with competitive campers. They all have their style.

If you recognize Mountain Hardware, Orvis, Teva, North Face, Yama, and Bear, you might in Dutch oven park, you just might in one of them.

Bill Studebaker is an outdoor columnist for Twin Falls. He is not paid to eat Spaghetti's right out of the can.

Get the drift on the upcoming Payette whitewater season

Kayakers look forward to another good season

BOISE (AP) — Kayaker Robert Shay peeks over the horizon line at Slalom Rapids on the South Fork of the Payette River. He pores his route through the boiling, chaotic mess of whitewater.

Within seconds he's being whisked through tons of churning whitewater.

Waves are pounding him. Holes are stalling him out. Eddies are trying to grab the edge of his kayak.

Within minutes he's through the rapids and all smiles.

The South, North and Main forks of the Payette River drain more than 3,000 square miles of the Salmon River and Sawtooth mountains, sending all that water shooting downstream for rafters and kayakers looking for excitement.

These are rivers in Boise's recreational backyard less than an hour away that bring smiles to thousands of white-

water junkies each summer. This summer will be the same.

Keep on paddling. The boils and eddies of the South Fork of the Payette River seem to move to the beat of the music of the Grateful Dead.

The music is a blaring from the speakers of a pickup truck at the Deer Creek launch site on a sunny April day.

The music is also running the race for a quick start on the Snake section of the South Fork for three cat boats. Bret Dunn and Pete Fields of Meridian and Rusty Peterson of Riggs are rigging their catamarans and getting ready for Bronco Billy, Staircase and Slalom rapids.

Taz, Peterson's lab rests in the shade, waiting for a spot on the race cat. The rafting season has already started on the North, South and Main forks of the Payette River, and boaters are looking for a good season. It's shaping up to be a hot and dry year, but the rivers in

the Payette basin are fed by reservoirs which dose out enough water all season for rafters and kayakers.

Deadwood and Cascade reservoirs feed the Payette system; those reservoirs are in good shape for this time of the year. So far, Deadwood is 72 percent of full and Cascade is 80 percent of full and there's still runoff to come. Streamflow forecasts for the summer in the Payette drainage are around 68 percent of normal.

But none of that matters to some boaters. "We run any water," Peterson says.

Their short catamarans can take on low and rocky rivers even as if they were a pinball game.

"But we prefer big water," Dunn says with a smile. He may be disappointed this spring. There likely to be a brief surge, but that will be it.

Other rafters and kayakers will enjoy the lower water because it will extend the rafting season. Big water won't shut down certain parts of the

river in late May and early June.

Most outfitters are getting ready to make first trips this month.

"I'm ready to go when people want to go," said Phil White of the Bear Valley River Co.

Here's his take on the upcoming season. "I think the rafting season will be great. The reservoirs keep water in the Payette system most of the summer, even on slow-flow years."

"All seasons that we run — Cabarton on North Fork, Canyon and Staircase on the South Fork, and of course, the Main Payette — are fun and run at a steady pace."

"The only thing we won't have this year unless the rain kicks in for the spring is the big water in May and June, which sometimes tends to keep people away until the water comes down to safer levels."

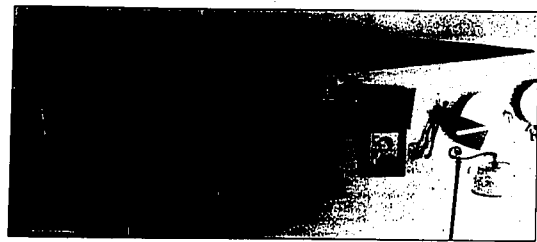
"So, overall I think the rivers will run through the summer and it will be a great season."

A boat's beginning

Turner Wilson's tools sit beside the cockpit of a Greenland-style kayak that he brought back from Greenland to reproduce. He is making an exact replica of the boat.



Cheryl Perry positions her Greenland-style kayak paddle before executing an Eskimo roll in the waters of Long Island Sound off the Thimble Islands in Branford, Conn. Photo by MICHAEL HERRON/The Hartford Courant



One of Turner Wilson and Cheryl Perry's kayaks sits on the bookshelf in their home above family photos and souvenirs of their paddling adventures.

Couple shows passion for kayaking

By Steve Grant
The Hartford Courant

The skeletal beginnings of two kayaks rest on sawhorses in the living room of Turner Wilson and Cheryl Perry's Wallingford, Conn., home. Lining a wall are more than a half-dozen wooden kayak paddles, partially carved.

"Not every woman would let their man build kayaks in the living room," Wilson says. On the floor is a pile of wood shavings.

It is very exciting having kayaks being herbred right here in the living space," Perry replies.

This is what happens when people come under the spell of small boats. In their case, the joys of paddling kayaks morphed first into a lifestyle and now a joint career.

In the clubby world of serious kayaking, Wilson and Perry are celebrities.

They are practitioners of traditional kayaking, Greenlandic-style, as practiced by the Inuit kayakers who for generations stretched seal skin over light, cage-like wooden frames and paddled off to hunt in the sea. This is kayaking back to its beginnings, long before brightly colored plastic boats, long before paddles with spoon-like blades.

These boats are not much thicker than your thigh, barely wider than your hips. They are light, quick and — this is a virtue — tippy, though Wilson and Perry wouldn't use the word to describe them. These kayakers are designed to roll over easily, designed to be safe in dangerous conditions. Inuit hunters rolled a Greenland kayak to avoid the alternative — falling out of the boat and flopping around in the bitterly cold waters of the Arctic, where they would die in minutes.

Wilson builds these kayaks, and he and Perry travel to teach people how to paddle and roll them. Perry, who also owns a hair salon, is an international kayak-rolling champion, competing in Greenland



Turner Wilson measures out where the ribs in the frame of a skin-on-frame kayak he is building that is a replica of a chiseled boat he brought back from Greenland to reproduce at his home in Wallingford, Conn.

each year with the Inuits and others. She even teaches yoga for kayakers.

They build; they teach; they compete; they are incorporated. "I am all kayak all the time," Wilson says one recent afternoon, working on an 18-foot skin-on-frame boat. After a 20-year career as a builder and architect, he is no stranger to design. On this mild day, he works on the boat on his back porch, redefining the frame for what will be a tight covering of canvas or a synthetic fabric coated with a sealant.

"There is something about small boats, especially boats that are single-user boats; there is just something about them," he says. "In today's world, where things are so complicated and so screwed up ... one of the ways modern man can really decompress is to get out in a small boat."

Kayaking, pursued by a comparative handful of people in the 1950s, has grown dramatically in popularity in the past two decades.

A survey conducted for the Outdoor Industry Foundation in Boulder, Colo., found that 12.6 million Americans paddled a kayak in 2005, and the average participant got out on the water six days that year.

"There is such a diversity of design and purpose and fun that can be had from a small boat," says Carl Cramer, publisher of *Wooden Boats* magazine. "There is such appeal to them. You don't need a boat; you can throw it on the roof of your car. It is an easy launch virtually anywhere." Because of that, "people with small boats end up using them a lot more."

Although still a tiny segment of the kayaking world, Greenlandic-style kayaking has a growing following. Wilson thinks the interest in America grew first from curiosity about Greenlandic-style paddles, which have thin blades that look more like double-ended rowboat oars than contemporary kayak paddles.

"A lot of us in the United States, and more and more people all over the world, have realized that, gee, these Inuits developed this stuff over thousands of years with very little

natural resources available to them. These techniques that they developed — maybe there is something a little deeper there that we should chase."

Modern takes on Greenlandic-style kayaks are continually emerging, some using a skeletal wood frame with a fabric hull, some using plywood and cedar strips. Costs range from about \$1,500, for one of the more simple designs, to more than \$3,000 for a boat with more labor-intensive and costly finishing. And some builders sell do-it-yourself plans for a fraction of the cost.

Bill Whitcomb of Wallingford, working with Perry, repeatedly tweaked one of his kayak designs until he produced a boat — the model is now called the Stealth — that was especially suited for rolling.

With that kayak, Perry, an athletic woman of 44, performed a kind of kayak roll that seems so improbable, so scary, it is hard to imagine anyone even attempting it. Called the straight-jacket roll, the kayaker sits in the cockpit, arms across chest, hands tucked under armpits, with no paddle.

Perry leans over and, rotating her torso from the hips,

spins the kayak 360 degrees back to an upright position. Don't even think about trying it with one of those big, wide plastic kayaks.

"There are three or four people in the world who can do it," Starr says. "It is very rare."

A paddler does not so much slip into one of these Greenlandic-style kayaks as squeeze into it. There is no wasted space; boats are typically built to fit a certain paddler — typically, one rule of thumb to determine boat length is to multiply the paddler's outstretched arm span by three. As for width, a Greenland boat won't be more than a tad wider than the paddler's hips.

Perry began kayaking 18 years ago, drawn to the sport because it was a way to explore wild places. "The best part to me is loading all your camping gear and then going to some different, wild, unknown place," she says.

Wilson, 56, didn't begin kayaking until he was 47, when he and a friend tried a Greenlandic-style boat. He hasn't looked back.

The Greenlandic-style paddle is "more like an airplane wing" than the more common spoon-like kayak paddle. Wilson says. If you touch out

and pull the Greenland blade through the water like the better-known kayak paddles. "It really doesn't grab water well." But if you can't get the top edge forward, "It slices water really well," he says. The stroke is more technique than power, and some paddlers find it less tiring for longer days on the water, he says.

Mark Starr, author of "Building a Greenland Kayak," says the Greenland paddle has become so popular in Connecticut coastal waters that perhaps a third of boaters are using one, even those paddling in more modern commercially available plastic boats. Moreover, the emphasis on rolls and technique in Greenlandic-style paddling has spread through the kayaking community, making many more paddlers along the coast more skilled, he says.

Bob Deutsch of West Hartford, a longtime canoe and kayak paddler, is a recent convert. "Paddling a kayak, especially a Greenland boat, skin on frame, you feel every ripple," he says. "The paddling is very much like a mantra. It is a repetitive motion; it helps you move into a comfortable altered state. It is phenomenal."

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Pita Pit coming to Twin

By Jared S. Hopkins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Besides greasy hamburger joints and fast-food chains, there are few options in Twin Falls for the late-night booze hounds or workers on graveyard shifts.

But there will be another alternative by summer — and it will satisfy the health nuts, too.

Pita Pit, a national franchise, is slated to join by mid-June the dozens of restaurants on Blue Lakes Boulevard. They will serve fresh pitas and side dishes prepared in front of customers.

"It's a good alternative — good choice and healthy," said co-owner Jeff Scott of DM Enterprises.

Located at 659 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. near Caswell Avenue, it will be in the former Pioneer Credit Union building, a stand-alone structure in the Centennial Square shopping center.

After receiving a special-use permit from the city's planning and zoning commission to stay open until 2:30 a.m. and operate a drive-through, Scott, 59, and his partner, Daniel Auh, 24, are waiting for a building permit before they can start remodeling.

Pita Pit has 225 stores worldwide with two to four locations opening monthly, according to its Web site.

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Store offers discount building materials, keeps supplies out of landfills

By Matt Christensen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — There's a new store in town. And no, it's not Wal-Mart.

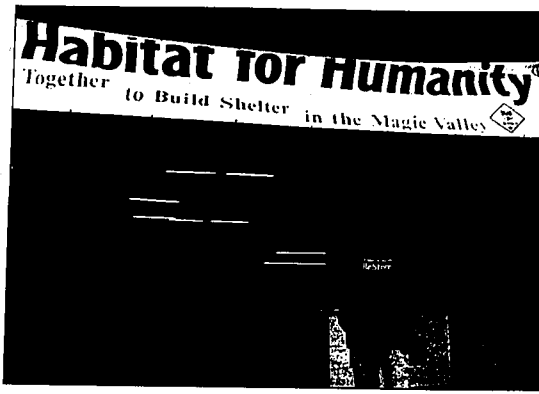
It's the ReStore, a new building-materials center operated by the Magic Valley chapter of Habitat for Humanity. The store sells discount building materials, keeps surplus and damaged construction supplies out of the landfill and raises money for new home construction.

It's not officially open for business yet, but the doors have been ajar the past few weekends, and curious shoppers have already purchased several thousand dollars in building materials, said Linda Fleming, executive director of Magic Valley's Habitat for Humanity chapter.

The store, she said, is a way for the charity organization to raise money consistently. Habitat for Humanity builds homes for those who cannot afford shelter.

"It's like an everyday fundraiser," Fleming said. "We're able to raise money every single day the store is open."

Here's how it works: People or businesses can donate used appliances, surplus construction materials,



Linda Fleming, executive director of the Magic Valley chapter of Habitat for Humanity, takes a break Wednesday outside the ReStore. Habitat for Humanity opened the ReStore — a discount-building-materials supply store — to raise money for the organization that builds new homes for those who cannot afford shelter.

overstocked building materials and other home-construction products to the store. ReStore sells the items to any interested buyers, and Habitat for Humanity uses the money to build new homes in area communities.

ReStore already has more donated items than it has space, but Fleming expects that to change soon when more people find out about the store. Paint, windows, shingles, sinks, stoves, floor-

ing, trim, tile, lighting fixtures — just about everything it takes to build a home — line wooden shelves inside the warehouse-like location at 661 Eastland South.

Fleming said most of the items would've wound up in the landfill if it weren't for the store. She said the shop is a way for the enviro-conscious to get rid of unwanted materials and make a charitable donation at the same time. Builders and contractors are

excited about the project as well, said Christina Gonzales of the Magic Valley Builders Association.

"What's neat about it," Gonzales said, "is that with any construction project, there are extra materials leftover when the job is finished. These materials can now go to the store instead of being thrown away." She said it's also a place for builders to pick up discount items for their own projects. So far, most customers have

Donations welcome

To offer items to Habitat for Humanity, first, check out building materials store or find out more information at 735-3255. Call for questions about your items, determine whether they are appropriate for the store. The store offers pickup services, but asks that all items be stacked neatly at the curb in a labeled "ReStore." You can also donate at the store proper from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesdays. ReStore is in charge of items; plumbing supplies, electrical materials, windows, hardware, lumber, doors, roofing, carpet, flooring, trim, paint, and other materials. ReStore will not accept: single pane or storm windows, used toilets, opened paint, topco materials, blinds, wallpaper, furniture or tub surrounds. Donations are tax deductible. ReStore is also seeking volunteers. Interested parties should call 735-1233.

been homeowners, Fleming said.

The store is open now from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays. The store will officially open May 4, but customers are welcome before that. No haggling allowed, and the store offers no refunds or returns.

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Exxon Mobil 1Q profit rises 10 percent

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Oil giant Exxon Mobil Corp. kicked off 2007 with a 10 percent rise in profits. Its best-ever first quarter, as higher margins on refining and chemical operations offset lower prices for crude oil and natural gas.

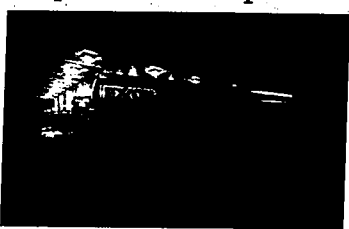
Exxon Mobil, the world's largest publicly traded oil company, said Thursday it earned \$9.3 billion in the January-March period, beating Wall Street expectations even as revenue slipped and fell well short of analysts' forecasts.

The Irving, Texas-based company, the third major oil company to report earnings in as many days, BP PLC, Europe's second-largest oil company, on Tuesday reported a 17 percent drop in first-quarter earnings on lower oil prices and declining production.

On Wednesday, ConocoPhillips said its first-quarter profit rose 7.7 percent as a result of asset sales that offset lower year-over-year commodity prices.

Also Thursday, the Valero Energy Corp., the nation's largest independent oil refiner, said its first-quarter profit jumped 35 percent on the back of stronger gasoline and diesel margins.

The market price for crude oil was off more than \$5 a barrel in the first quarter versus a year ago. The comparable price for natural gas



A worker delivers fuel to an Exxon station in Kaller, Texas, in this Jan. 27 photo. Exxon Mobil Corp., the world's largest publicly traded oil company, said Thursday, its net income grew 10 percent in the first quarter, as higher refining, marketing and chemical profit margins overcame lower crude oil and natural gas prices.

also was down. Still, given the rise in gasoline prices at the pump in recent weeks, oil majors like Exxon Mobil and BP were getting little sympathy from U.S. consumers for not earning as much as they could have if market prices for their products had been higher to start 2007.

"They're hurting me all the way around," Bill LoGerfo of Staten Island said Thursday as he paid \$3.27 a gallon for premium unleaded to fill up his car at a BP station in Manhattan. Regular unleaded was selling for \$3.03 a gallon.

"I'm in the construction business, so it makes it more expensive to get materials shipped to me," LoGerfo

said. "These prices really trickle down to the little guy."

In response to the new round of oil profits, Sen. Bob Casey, D-Pa., introduced legislation Thursday that he hopes will curtail rising gas prices. Casey's bill would impose a windfall profits tax and close certain tax loopholes for big oil companies and use the money for research into biofuels and other related projects.

Investors, however, pushed Exxon Mobil shares up 63 cents to close at \$80.55 on the New York Stock Exchange after sending them to a new 52-week high of \$80.86. They're traded at low as \$56.64 in the past year.

MIT's cheap laptop program costing more than expected

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP) —

The founder of the ambitious "100 laptop" project, which plans to give inexpensive computers to schoolchildren in developing countries, revealed Thursday that the machine for now costs \$175, and it will be able to run Windows in addition to its homegrown, open-source interface.

Nicholas Negroponte, the former director of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Media Lab who now heads the nonprofit One Laptop Per Child project, updated analysts and journalists on where the effort stands, saying "we are perhaps at the most critical stage of OLPC's life."

That's partly because at least seven nations have committed to being in the initial wave to buy the little green-and-white "XO" computers — Uruguay, Argentina, Brazil, Pakistan, Thailand, Nigeria and Libya — but it remains unclear which ones will be first to pony up the cash. The project needs orders for 3 million machines so its manufacturing and distribution effort can get rolling.

The ever-optimistic Negroponte didn't sound worried, however. He expects mass production to begin by October, and he said many other countries, including Peru and Russia, have been inquiring about taking part.

The XO machines will be made by Quanta Computer

Inc., the world's leading maker of portable computers. Quanta agreed to take a profit of about \$3 per machine, less than what it gets from mainstream PC companies, Negroponte said.

Even so, the cost of the machine — which boasts extremely low electricity consumption, a pulley for hand-generated power, built-in wireless networking and screen with indoor and outdoor reading modes — is now \$175. The One Laptop project takes additional \$10 to fund its distribution effort. Negroponte's team has always stressed that \$100 was a long-term target for the machines, but recently published figures have put it in the \$115 range. Negroponte says the cost should drop about 25 percent per year as the project unfolds.

Even at \$175, the computers are a bargain, but to depend the state of the economy in the PC industry. A huge reason for the low cost has been XO's use of the free, open-source Linux operating system, tweaked for this project with the help of one of its sponsors, Red Hat Inc.

The result is that XO's software is highly original, in hopes of making the computer useful as a collaborative tool and intuitive for children who have never before encountered a computer. There are no windows or folders, but rather an interface heavily reliant on pictographic icons.

"Denim has to fit in all the right places," Diane Workman, Cobble Creek owner, said in a statement. "We're proud to be a part of this innovative program which will be helping so many women look and feel their best."

USDA grants available for value-added ag

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Department of Agriculture has announced a \$19.5 million program to help farmers enter into value-added activities.

Examples of what may qualify for the program include conversion to organic produc-

tion, processing of raw commodities to a finished product, and the conversion of farm crops to create renewable energy sources. Awards may be made for planning activities or for working capital expenses, but not for both. The maximum grant amount for a planning grant is \$100,000. The maximum grant amount for a working capital grant is \$300,000. Applicants must provide matching funds at least equal to the amount of the grant requested.

For information, call (208) 734-1324, ext. 121

— From staff and wire reports

Market Watch

April 26, 2007

Dow Jones Industrials	+15.81
Nasdaq composite	+4.67
Standard & Poor's 500	-1.17
Russell 2000	+1.78

Stocks of local interest

Don Agri	24.82	-.27
Dell Inc.	24.91	+.06
Idacorp	34.89	+.16
Little Motors	28.31	+.16
Motors	28.31	+.20
Supervalu	46.24	+.84

Commodities

June Oil	65.06	+.78
Live cattle	96.56	+.40
May gold	675.0	+.94

For more, see page D5

Country Auto open house today, Saturday

JEROME — Country Auto Inc. will hold an open house today and Saturday to celebrate its expanded lot and new office at 2400 S. Lincoln.

Celebration hours are 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. today and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

Hot barbecue tri-tip sandwiches prepared by Scarrow Meats will be available throughout the event.

Chamber seeks ag scholarship applicants

TWIN FALLS — The Twin

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Falls Area Chamber of Commerce Agribusiness Committee is seeking applicants for its 2007 scholarships.

The scholarships are awarded to students who live in Twin Falls, Gooding, Jerome, Blaine, Camas, Minidoka, Cassia or Lincoln counties and intend to pursue or who are pursuing a degree in an agriculture-related field at an Idaho college or

university. The deadline for applications is May 4. Last year, the chamber and its sponsors awarded 10 scholarships that were each worth \$1,000.

For information, call (208) 733-3974.

TF retailer offers Jean sizing workshop

TWIN FALLS — Cobble Creek Clothier, 124 Main Ave. N., will host a What's Your Fit clinic that is being conducted May 1-13 by FJ French Dressing, a Montreal-based women's lifestyle clothing company.

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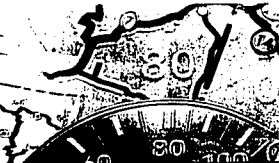
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2007 TOYOTA TUNDRA CREWMAX

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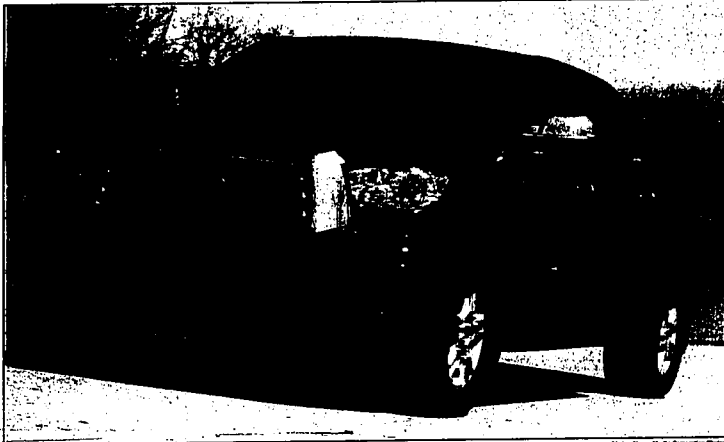
Read/Worthy!
By Ken Chesler, Jr.
Motor News Media Corporation

Along with the introduction of its all-new bigger and more powerful second generation full-size Tundra pickup truck, Toyota increases the stakes in the full-size truck market with the debut of the 2007 Tundra CrewMax pickup truck this year. Born and bred as an American truck in every way and the biggest, most powerful Toyota truck ever, the new Tundra was engineered to win the hearts, minds and pocketbooks of the American truck buyer.

"Front bumper-to-bumper, under the hood and from the inside out the new Tundra is a true American truck that will set a new benchmark in the full-size truck segment," said Jim Lentz, Toyota Motor Sales executive vice president. "It will be aimed at the 'True Truckers,' the true opinion leaders among full-size owners. True truckers are highly credible people because they use, punish and demand the most out of the pickups they buy."

The new Toyota pickup truck is super-sized meticulously in comparison with the vehicle it replaces. Its all-new, full-size platform features a significantly expanded wheelbase and an increase in overall length. The Tundra will also gain nearly five inches in height and will be four full inches wider than before, placing it among the segment leaders in overall size. The CrewMax is equipped with a 5.5 foot cargo bed.

While the CrewMax shares the same frame with the other all-new Tundra models and



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configurations, that is where the similarities end. Boasting the largest cab ever offered by the automaker, the Tundra CrewMax features a limousine-like interior with a best-in-class 44.5 inches of rear seat legroom. This spaciousness allows for extra-large rear doors for easy access. The rear seat was designed to recline as well as slide—as much as ten inches. The 60/40 seat configuration can even be folded to provide additional secure cargo carrying capabilities. Offered in SR5 and Limited models and available in two-

and four-wheel drive configurations, the Tundra CrewMax is powered by a choice of two engines: the legendary 4.7L V8 or the new 5.7L V8 prime mover. Torque is transferred to the street through a five-speed automatic (4.7L V8) or an all-new heavy-duty six-speed automatic (5.7L V8).

On the road, the Tundra CrewMax, equipped with the optional 5.7L V8 and sophisticated six-speed automatic transmission, delivers a firm and controlled performance. It rides on a new rock-solid chassis that the automaker refers to

as a Triple-Tech frame. Using 30 percent higher tensile strength steel, the new frame is fully boxed up front, has a reinforced C under the cab and an open C under the cargo bed to deliver the perfect balance of strength, ride quality and durability. Finally, the frame was optimized for cab type, bed length, engine size and drive type.

Additionally, the CrewMAX comes equipped with heavy-duty front disc brakes with four-piston calipers and standard rear disc brakes. High capacity cooling and electrical

systems help Tundra tow heavy loads through the toughest weather.

Inside the cabin, front seating is a 40/20/40 setup with a 'command and control' driver's seat providing an unobstructed view of the instrument panel placing knobs, switches and buttons within close reach of the driver. Interior storage capacity is increased with the addition of hidden storage compartments, a second-row seat that double as a work surface and a larger center console box with room for hanging the folders.

2007 Toyota Tundra by the Numbers

WHEELBASE:
145.7; overall length: 228.7; width: 79.9; height: 75.8 (2WD), 78.0 (4WD) — measurements in inches.
ENGINE:
4.7L V8 — 271 hp at 5,400 rpm and 313 lbs-ft of torque at 3,400 rpm; 5.7L V8 — 361 hp at 5,600 rpm and 401 lbs-ft of torque at 3,600 rpm.
TRANSMISSION:
five-speed automatic or six-speed automatic.
EPA FUEL ECONOMY:
4.7L V8 — 15 city/18 hwy; 5.7L V8 (2WD) — 16 city/20 hwy; (4WD) — 14 city/18 hwy.
LOAD CAPACITY:
1,650 lbs.
TOWING CAPACITY:
10,400 lbs.

SAFETY FEATURES:

Dual front airbags, front seat-mounted side-impact airbags, roll-over sensing side curtain airbags, vehicle stability control, traction control, four-wheel disc brakes with anti-lock, electronic brake-force distribution, brake assist, tire monitoring system, automatic limited slip differential, remote keyless entry and engine immobilizer. Limited adds fog lamps and anti-theft alarm system. Optional safety equipment includes daytime running lights and navigation system.

WARRANTY:

Basic: 3-year/36,000 mile, bumper-to-bumper. Powertrain: 5-year/60,000 mile. Corrosion: 5-year/unlimited.

PRICING:

The base Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price (MSRP) for the 2007 Toyota Tundra CrewMax pickup truck starts from \$29,675 for the SR5 2WD model up to \$41,850 for the Limited 4WD. Destination charges add \$645.

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NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE
Case No. CV 07-1626

A Petition to change the name of Jennifer Dyan Hanes, born May 8, 1977 in Twin Falls, Idaho, has been filed in Twin Falls County District Court, Idaho. The name will change to Jennifer Dyan Raines, because Ryan Hanes does not like his last name. The petitioner's father is living and his address is 521 12th Ave E, Jerome, Idaho 83308. The petitioner's mother is living and her address is 521 12th Ave E, Jerome, Idaho 83308. A hearing on the petition is scheduled for 9:00 o'clock AM on May 15, 2007, at the County Courthouse. Objections may be filed by any person who can show the court good reason against the name change. Date: April 9, 2007. By Deputy Clerk.

PUBLISH: April 13, 20, 27 and May 4, 2007

NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE
Case No. CV 07-1625

A Petition to change the name of Ryan Michael Hanes born February 23, 1975 in Provo, Utah, residing at 1213 5th Ave. E., Twin Falls, Idaho 83301, has been filed in Twin Falls County District Court, Idaho. The name will change to Ryan Michael Raines, because Ryan Hanes does not like his last name. The petitioner's mother is living and his address is 4083 North Portage Ave., Meridian, Idaho 83848. The petitioner's mother is living and her address is 8072 Railroad Way, Boise, Idaho 83709. A hearing on the petition is scheduled for 9:00 o'clock AM on May 15, 2007, at the County Courthouse. Objections may be filed by any person who can show the court a good reason against the name change. Date: April 9, 2007. By Deputy Clerk.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Actions planned and taken by your government are contained in public notices. They are part of your right to know and are to inform you of what your government is doing. As self-government changes all citizens to be informed, this newspaper urges every citizen to read and study these notices. We advise those citizens who seek further information to exercise their right to access public records and public meetings.

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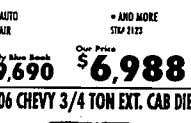


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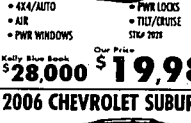


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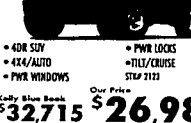


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Katherine T. Fife, Secretary

PUBLISH: April 27 and May 4, 2007

INVITATION TO BID

ALL sealed bids must be received by 5:00 P.M. on May 24, 2007. All sealed bids will be opened at 10:30 A.M., on May 25, 2007 at the Idaho Transportation Department, Supply Purchasing Services, located at 3311 West State Street, Boise, Idaho. Bidders and other interested parties are invited to be present for the bid opening. The work on this project consists of furnishing to the Idaho Transportation Department District 4 two (2) excavators with operators, back excavators to have a third attachment able to reach 30' feet and rental of two (2) nine (9) cubic yard rock boxes as per the specifications contained in specification D-05099.

A mandatory pre-bid walk through is scheduled for May 7, 2007. Please refer to the bid specifications for details.

PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTORS LICENSE REQUIRED

No bid will be considered unless accompanied by an acceptable guaranty in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the total amount of the bid. This guaranty may be in the form of a certified check or a cashier's check drawn on some Idaho bank, made payable to the Idaho Transportation Department, or a bidder's bond. Surety will be forfeited in the event of failure to sign the contract.

The Idaho Transportation Department reserves the right to reject any bid or to accept the bid deemed best for the State of Idaho.

Dated This 23rd Day of April 2007

TINA KLAMT, PURCHASING AGENT
IDAHO TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

Copies of Bid Packages, Includes all Drawings, Bid Results and Plan Holders Site, may be obtained by visiting our web site at: <http://idaho.gov/electronic/bids.htm> or by contacting your local Plan Room.

PUBLISH: April 26-30, 2007

NOTICE OF SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTION
 School District No. 411
 Twin Falls County, Idaho

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN according to law and the request of the Board of Trustees of Twin Falls School District No. 411, Twin Falls County, State of Idaho, that the annual school trustee election will be held on Tuesday May 15, 2007. Candidates interested in filing a declaration of candidacy must file no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, May 11, 2007. Only those qualified electors residing in Trustee Zone No. 3 and Trustee Zone No. 4 may file a declaration of candidacy. Trustee Zone No. 3 is a trustee position. The purpose of said election shall be to elect one trustee to serve for a period of three years from the date of the election; one trustee who resides within Trustee Zone No. 3 and Trustee Zone No. 4 and one trustee who resides in the specified trustee zone may vote at a Polling place for Trustee Zone No. 3 or Trustee Zone No. 4 on Tuesday, May 15, 2007. Polling places for Trustee Zone No. 3 shall be: P. Perrine Elementary, 452 Caswell Avenue West, and polling place for Trustee Zone No. 4 shall be: South Elm Elementary, 1771 Stadium Blvd.

Declaration of Candidacy must be filed with the Clerk of the Board of Trustees not later than 5:00 p.m. the fifth (5th) day of the election. Each declaration of candidacy must bear the name of the candidate, state the term of office for which the candidate is running, and bear the signature of not less than five (5) school district electors resident in the trustee zone which the candidate desires to represent. As provided by Idaho Code, Section 33-502A no write-in vote shall be counted unless a declaration of intent has been filed with the District Clerk indicating that the person desires the office and is legally qualified to assume the duties of the office. The declaration of intent shall be filed not later than fourteen (14) days before the day of election.

Persons wishing to appear before the Board of Trustees on May 17, 2007, at 8:00 A.M. shall file an affidavit with the District Clerk indicating that the person desires the office and is legally qualified to assume the duties of the office. The declaration of intent shall be filed not later than fourteen (14) days before the day of election.

The polls will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 15, 2007. The polls will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 16, 2007. The polls will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 17, 2007. The polls will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Friday, May 18, 2007. The polls will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 19, 2007. The polls will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 20, 2007.

PUBLISH: April 27 and May 4, 2007

PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

Pursuant to Idaho Code Section 67-2343, notice is hereby given of an open public meeting of the Idaho Fish and Game Commission.

DATE OF NOTICE: April 17, 2007
DATE OF MEETING: May 16, 2007
 A Commission Workshop on the Mule Deer Initiative will be held on Wednesday, May 16, 2007 at 1:30 P.M. EDT.

A public hearing will be held at 7:00 P.M. MDT on May 16.

The commission meeting will convene at 8:00 A.M. MDT on May 17 and 18, 2007.

PLACE OF MEETING: Sun Valley Resort, One Sun Valley Road, Sun Valley, ID 83363.

PERSONS ATTENDING: Commissioners, Director, Staff

PURPOSE OF MEETING/AGENDA: Rules, orders, sandhill cranes, Turkey vulture, Panhandle Region, commercial fishing rule modification, pheasant stocking on Wildlife Management Area #38, bison management, Spring River Whitefish Management Plan; Reports on Loch River Knapweed, Legislative Review 2006-2009.

AGENDA: Rules and Regulations, Deer Survey, Wolf Update, Fawn Monitoring Summary, and Comprehensive Wildlife Conservation Strategy.

Individuals with disabilities may request meeting accommodations by contacting the Director's office at the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, 1500 N. Myrtle, Boise, Idaho 83725. Phone: (208) 333-2529 (TDD).

PUBLISH: April 27 and May 4, 2007

NOTICE OF SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTION (IC 33-502)
 Kimberly School District #414 - Twin Falls County, Idaho

Public Notice is hereby given according to law, and the request of the Board of Trustees of Kimberly School District #414, Twin Falls County, Idaho, that the annual school trustee election will be held on Tuesday, May 15, 2007.

Only those qualified electors residing in Trustee Zone No. 4 may file a declaration of candidacy. Trustee Zone No. 4 is a trustee position. The purpose of said election shall be to elect one trustee to serve for a period of three years from the date of the election; one trustee who resides in Trustee Zones 4 and 5, Trustee Zones No. 4 and 5 and one trustee who resides in Trustee Zones No. 4 and 5 may file a declaration of candidacy. Trustee Zone No. 4 is a trustee position. The purpose of said election shall be to elect one trustee to serve for a period of three years from the date of the election; one trustee who resides in Trustee Zones 4 and 5, Trustee Zones No. 4 and 5 and one trustee who resides in Trustee Zones No. 4 and 5 may file a declaration of candidacy.

Zone 4:
 Beginning at the intersection of 3450 East (Emerald St.) and Center St. East on Center Street to Main St. South on Main St. to Maxine St. East on Maxine St. and then along the city limits east and north and east to 3550 East.

Zone 5:
 Beginning at 3550 East to Center St. East on Center St. becoming U Hwy 30 to the district boundary South on the district boundary to the Low Line Canal West on the Low Line Canal to 3500 East North on 3500 East to 3525 North West on 3525 North to 3450 East and then Emerald St. North on Emerald St. to the beginning.

Zone 6:
 Beginning at the intersection of 3700 North and the western district boundary East on 3700 North to 3450 East South on 3450 East (Emerald St.) to 3600 North East on 3600 North to 3525 North South on 3525 North to the Low Line Canal East on the Low Line Canal to the district boundary.

Following the district boundary, the line runs southwest then north then west then north then east then north then east then north then east then north to the beginning.

As provided by Idaho Code, Section 33-502A, no write-in vote shall be counted unless a declaration of intent has been filed with the District Clerk indicating that the person desires the office and is legally qualified to assume the duties of school trustee if elected. The declaration of intent shall be filed not later than fourteen (14) days before the day of the election.

The polls will be open from Noon until 8:00 p.m. at the following location:
 885 Center Street West
 Kimberly, ID 83341

An elector must be a registered voter who has resided in this state and in the school district at least thirty (30) days preceding the election. Qualified electors who expect to be absent from the District on May 15, 2007, or who will be unable, because of a physical disability or blindness, to go to a polling place, may vote by absentee ballot. Written application for an absentee ballot may be made to the Clerk of the Board of Trustees on a form made available at the Kimberly School District Office 141 Center Street West, Kimberly, Idaho 83341, Friday, from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. May 15, 2007. Elector's applying in person may obtain their ballots starting April 24, 2007. Elector's must submit their requests as soon as possible. The absentee ballot must be received by the Clerk no later than 8:00 p.m. on the day of the election.

By order of the Board of Directors
 Kathy Cooper, District Clerk

PUBLISH: April 27 and May 4, 2007

NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE
 Case No. CV 07-1628

A Petition to change the names of Klamana Dyan Hines, born August 3, 1927 in Twin Falls, Idaho residing at 1213 5th Ave. E. Twin Falls, Idaho 83301; to Klamana Dyan Hines; Decolin Michael Hines, born August 19, 1999 in Twin Falls, Idaho residing at 1213 5th Ave. E. Twin Falls, Idaho 83301; to Decolin Michael Hines; Tapanza Daphne Hines, born December 29, 2001, in Twin Falls, Idaho residing at 1213 5th Ave. E. Twin Falls, Idaho 83301; to Tapanza Daphne Hines; has been filed in Twin Falls County District Court, Idaho. The reason for the name changes is because I dislike the given name. The mother's maiden name is Hines and is 1213 5th Ave. E. Twin Falls, Idaho 83301. A hearing on the petition is scheduled for 8:00 A.M. on Friday, May 18, 2007 at the County Courthouse. Objections may be filed by any person who can show the court a good reason for opposing the name changes.

Date: April 9, 2007
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TECHNICAL Progressive Dairy Service & Supplies is seeking an exp Dairy Technician in the Magic Valley area of Idaho. Call 208-338-3530 or 208-325-5535. Filr, ID

206 Drivers

DELIVERY Driver wanted to deliver concrete construction projects in the Twin Falls-Sun Valley area. \$11-5115 DOE. E-mail resumes to: arvey@ccc-sunvalley.com or fax them to 208-248-8182

DELIVERY/Warehouse
 Apply 8am-3pm at 167 Eastland Dr.
DRUG Free Workforce
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The Times-News has an opening in our Customer Care Department. This position is involved with the circulation of the newspaper. This is an open position. We are the premier customer care organizations in the area. We seek an innovative person who has excellent communication and customer service skills. Sales experience is helpful. The successful candidate will be someone who has the ability to work independently to help meet team goals.

This position requires typing, computer and ten-key experience. The days and hours vary, but include weekend mornings. Reliability is important for this position.

We offer an excellent benefits program including medical, dental, and vision plans, employee stock purchase plan and 401K retirement account.

To apply, please fill out an application at the front desk of the Times-News or send a resume to: Times-News, P.O. Box 1000, Twin Falls, ID 83303 or email tmitchell@magivalley.com

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Amoth

Has openings for experienced Flatbed Drivers and dedicated container haulers. Home every weekend. Excellent pay and benefit package.

Contact Dave at: 208-738-0344. Nights & weekends apply 208-955-8540 or apply online at www.garyamoth-trucking.com

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Class A CDL Drivers needed full & part-time year round local hauling jobs. Excellent benefits include medical. Apply to: 208-747-4625. Gary Billewicz. Call 208-338-8886 or 208-733-6557

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J.R. Simplot Company Accounting Supervisor
 Food Group HQ - Boise, ID
 • BS or BA in accounting and 5+ years related experience.
 • Supervises GL accounting functions
 • Supervising budget process for Food Group HQ
 • Requires strong research, analytical, and problem solving skills.
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Puzzles by Pappocom

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9			1	4
5	6			3
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2	3	5		
7				

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9. That's all there is to it. There's no math involved. The grid has numbers, but nothing has to add up to anything else. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic. Find the answers for today's puzzle on page E-12.

206 Drivers **208 Farm** **209 General**

DRIVERS
Immediate Opening!
Criss A Drivers. Drug Free Workplace Applications at J & C Custom 1320 Addison Ave. W. Twin Falls 8am-5pm Mon-Fri.

DRIVERS
Redi-Mix Drivers wanted. CDL required. Pay DOE. Full benefits. Apply at Idaho Concrete Co. 1294 Addison Ave. W. Twin Falls, ID or online at www.idahocrete.com Drug Free Workplace EOE

DRIVERS
Recruiting needs experienced Truck Drivers for local and regional. CDL required. Excellent benefit package + 401k. Salary DOE. Please apply at 903 Elm, Buhl, Idaho or call 208-543-4306

DRIVERS
WE'RE HIRING NOW! Idaho Milk Transport needs qualified tanker drivers for regional runs.
• Competitive Pay (more exp more \$)
• Great benefits
• Bonus opportunities
Long haul-Western & Upper Midwest Regional Runs
11 Western States
Hwy Company Drivers & Lease Ops!
Call for more information!
1-800-987-28

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Requires pre-payment prior to publication. Major credit cards, and cash accepted. Check processing over the phone.
733-0931
The Times-News

FARM
Laborer position for irrigation & yard maintenance. Tractor experience a plus. Valid drivers license. Call 208-738-8413.

FARM
Needed Tractor Operators, willing to train. Call 208-324-7148

FARM
Yard work/Farm work with Crossroads Point is looking for a full-time worker. Must be 18 years old. Exp helpful. Pay reasonable. Call/apply at 208-664-4444

GENERAL
Front Desk Supervisor. FT position for busy full service hotel. Send Resume to Box 94485 P.O. Box 94485 Twin Falls, ID 83303.

GENERAL
DISC VERY
Get a jump on summer fun and start earning money today!
Day & Swing Shift Positions Available!
• No Sales Involved!
• Base Pay Up To \$11.00 an hour!
• All Paid Training!
• Flexible Scheduling - You Pick the Days You Want to Work!
• Shift Start Times Concise
• Bonuses offered on monthly basis!
• Fun, Positive work environment!
Great for first time job or career!

209 General
GENERAL
Independent Living Advisor, Bilingual, Full Time. Pick up applications at Life Inc. 2511 Park Ave., #7 Burley, 208-678-7705

GENERAL
• Laborers
• Construction
• CDL A Drivers
• Clerical
• Food Processing
• Fish Processing
• ASE Certified Mechanic
• Front End Mechanic
Twin Falls 733-7300 Jerome 324-9400 Burley 878-0400 www.personnelinc.com

HOTEL
Burley Inn is looking for several positions, Maintenance/Painter Housekeeping Perkins Server all shifts and Front Desk Clerk all shifts and greets you. Pay DOE. Apply in person at front desk, 800 N Overland.

HOTEL
Dishwasher Needing full time days, flexible schedule, between 25-30 hours per week. Apply in person at Red Lion Canyon Springs 1357 Blue Lakes. N

HOTEL
Dishwasher Needing full time days, flexible schedule, between 30-40 hours per week. Apply in person at Red Lion Canyon Springs 1357 Blue Lakes. N

HOTEL
Night Auditor 11pm to 6am Flexible schedule Apply in person at Red Lion Canyon Springs 1357 Blue Lakes. N

SECURITY
Sports Manufacturing is accepting applications for Part-Time Security Guard. Supplemental retirement income. Prior security background a plus. Alternating schedule. Must have 1000 hours of direct care experience with developmentally disabled children. Excellent wage and benefits
Send resume to Mike Hutchings, 1411 Falls Ave E, Suite 703 Twin Falls, Idaho 83301

209 General
GENERAL
Horse Back Trail Ride Guides, Summer jobs 800 S. Burley, Idaho, Call 1-888-722-5432

MANUFACTURING
Spears Mfg Co., is accepting applications for the following FT positions:
• Packaging
• Warehouse
• Plastic Fabrication
• Molding Machine Setup
• Material Handler
\$9-\$12/hour (depending on position) Company benefits, employee health, dental, life insurance, vacation, paid holidays, & 401k plan Applications available
Spears Mfg Plant Security Office 2152 S. Lincoln Jerome, Idaho 83401
Call 208-324-8101

PhoneBase Research Inc.
PhoneBase Research currently has immediate openings in our interviewing department. This position involves conducting public opinion polls over the telephone.
PhoneBase Research offers:
• Flexible evening, day and weekend hours.
• \$7-\$9 an hour
• Full call working environment
• Monthly interviewer incentives
• Absentee pay to sales or soliciting
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211 Medical
NANNY
PT, 3 days/wk in my home good pay, transportation req. Call 208-538-2246.

RESTAURANT
IHOP
Cook & Servers Apply in person 1944 Blue Lakes Blvd North, Twin Falls

211 Medical
All advertising is subject to the newspaper's standard of acceptance. The Times-News reserves the right to edit, abbreviate, decline or properly classify any ad. Rescued or copy via remote entry (fax, e-mail, etc.) does not constitute final acceptance by this newspaper. The advertiser, not the newspaper, assumes full responsibility for the content of their advertisement message.

213 Professional
PROFESSIONAL
Fast growing, award winning, Twin Falls advertising agency is looking for a Graphics and Layout Designer to add to their aggressive team of professional ads. Must have skills with layout and graphics programs. Must also show communication skills and the ability to work with clients and peers. Resume required. Must show a portfolio of your work during interview. Are you that person? Call Marketing Resource Group 738-1833 between 8-5pm, Mon-Fri.

213 Professional
PROFESSIONAL
PSR needed. Start \$11.18 hour. Call 208-878-3350

213 Professional
FAX YOUR CLASSIFIED AD
TIMES-NEWS CLASSIFIED DEPARTMENT
208-734-5538

211 Medical
MEDICAL
Full-time Transcriptionist needed for busy medical clinic. 3+ years experience required. Please send resume HR Department Services 794 Eastland Drive, Twin Falls, ID 83301.

213 Professional
FAX YOUR CLASSIFIED AD
TIMES-NEWS CLASSIFIED DEPARTMENT
208-734-5538

213 Professional
Center for Independent Living
• Seeking qualified individual to provide Intensive Behavioral Intervention for developmentally disabled children
• Applicant must possess bachelor's degree in social sciences
• Must have 1000 hours of direct care experience with developmentally disabled children
• Excellent wage and benefits
Send resume to Mike Hutchings, 1411 Falls Ave E, Suite 703 Twin Falls, Idaho 83301

AUTOMOTIVE
Experienced Lube Tech
Must have own tools & salary DOE
Contact Steve Kenton at 802 of Magic Valley 636 Poella Rd No Phone call Drug Free Workplace

WIRELESS
Innovations an authorized dealer of Verizon Wireless is seeking a Store Manager/Wireless Consultant to work in our store. Responsible for opening and closing the store, retail sales of cellular phones and accessories, daily deposits, cash reconciliation and managing the store. Responsible for cleanliness and store appearance. Store is open Monday-Saturday. Base pay plus aggressive commission. Benefits and 401k. To apply fax resume to 208-542-9701 or email resume to dani@wireless.com

NEWSPAPER
The Times-News
magivalley.com
The Times News has an immediate opening for a part-time Tear Sheet Delivery Person. This person will be responsible for delivering newspaper pages to advertisers throughout Twin Falls, as well as advertising sheet copies. Hours are early morning. A vehicle is provided. Qualified applicants will have a valid driver's license and vehicle insurance, be organized and have the ability to work independently.
Contact Janet Goffin Advertising Director janet.goffin@timesnews.com or mail resume to Times-News PO Box 548 Twin Falls, ID 83303

ACCOUNTING
SOLO
Solo Cup Company is the largest manufacturer of single use disposable products for the food and beverage service industry with over 100 operations worldwide. Our products range from a variety of paper and plastic cups, plastic food containers, plastic lids and straws. Our dedication to teamwork, quality and customer service have made Solo Cup the leading force in the industry.

PLANT COST ACCOUNTANT
Solo Cup is currently hiring for our Twin Falls facility. Essential duties and responsibilities include, but are not limited to: Maintaining standard cost system for plant products, identifying and resolving discrepancies. Preparing and analyzing data for month end closing. Preparing and analyzing monthly invoices for plant management. Providing functional support and training to plant personnel. Works with management to develop annual budgets. Participates in inventory management.
Education & Work Experience: BS/BA Degree in Accounting. Two to five years of Accounting (2000 MFG experience helpful). Proficient user in Microsoft Office Suite or similar program. Strong analytical and communication skills. Must be able to handle multiple tasks simultaneously.

SOLO CUP COMPANY
Solo offers a competitive salary and a full range of benefits to include medical, dental, vision, life insurance, and a 401(k) program.
Contact Information: Please send resumes to SOLO CUP COMPANY HR Resource Dept 750 Eastland Drive South, Twin Falls, Idaho 83301. EOE M/F/D/V.

SALES
Inside Advertising Sales
We have an excellent Inside Advertising Sales full-time position opportunity available with the South Idaho Press. You will love this job if you enjoy:
• Working with a variety of accounts, helping them promote and build their business
• Making recommendations and suggestions to their advertising programs
• Building relationships with current and new customers
• Working in a team environment
• Good organizational skills and attention to detail
• Fast paced, fun environment
• Managing multiple projects and working with deadlines
• Selling and making commission!

We are looking for someone with an outgoing personality, positive attitude and a team player. Experience preferred but is not necessary. If you want to work for one of the top newspapers in the country and work in a friendly, fun filled department, please mail your resume and cover letter to: Kim Patterson South Idaho Press 230 East Main Burley, Idaho 83318 or email Kim.Patterson@se.net

South Idaho Press
"The Paper You Come Home To"
A Lee Enterprises Community Newspaper

Intermountain Cassia Regional Medical Center
Helping you live
Registered Nurse & Now Grads:
We are hiring RNs in:
Birth Center
Home Health
Med/Surg
Full, Part-time and PRN positions.
New grads encouraged to apply!

CNA Home Health
Full-time with benefits
Learn more and apply by visiting www.intermountainhealthcare.org, or contact the Human Resource Dept. at 208-677-6424. 1501 Hand Ave., Burley, ID 83318 EOE/AA

Complete an application and register to win a FREE MP3 PLAYER! Prizes are now offering up to an additional \$2.00 an hour for good attendance!

F/T RN Charge Nurse LPN, RNA, CNA's/NA's
Full-time, 2pm-10pm or 10pm-6pm, 6am-2pm
Only a few positions left! If you're thinking about a change, now is the time! Our DNS is a company Leadership Award Winner! Pay based upon experience and incentive rewards, w/fee in house CEU's & certification class for nursing assistants.
We also offer a corporate membership discount to Gold's Gym!

SunBridge Healthcare
Apply in person or contact:
Judy Cook
640 Filer Ave West, Twin Falls
PH(208)734-8645
FAX(208)734-4645
EOE

MANAGER
Food Plant Shift Manager
R.J. Simplot Company, Nampa, ID
• Bachelor's degree (B.A./B.S.) + 3 years experience in equivalent combination
• Must have food processing experience.
• Prior supervisory experience preferred.
For additional details and to apply for this and other exciting job opportunities, please visit our website at www.simplot.com.
We offer competitive benefits/salaries. EOE/AA

CLEAR SPRINGS FOODS
AQUACULTURE FARM OPERATIONS
Clear Springs Foods, Inc. is accepting applications for employees at several area trout farm locations. Positions will involve all aspects of raising and harvesting rainbow trout. A Class B CDL will be required. Placement could be farm specific. Ability to lift equipment and lift boxes are mandatory. People hired for this position will be offered a very competitive wage and benefit program that includes:
• Family Medical and Dental Insurance
• Paid Vacation Leave
• Vacation and Holidays
• 401(k) Retirement Plan
• Employee Stock Ownership Plan
• Life Insurance
Applicants must apply in person between the hours of 8:00am and 4:00pm; Monday-Friday at the Processing Operations office located 7 miles north of Buhl on Clear Lakes Grade.

CLEAR SPRINGS FOODS
AREA OPERATORS, OPERATIONAL LEADS, AND WAREHOUSE PERSONNEL
Clear Springs Foods, Inc. is accepting applications for operators, operational leads and warehouse personnel for their processing facilities. People hired for these positions will be offered a very competitive wage and benefit package that includes:
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Processing Operations 1579-A Clear Lakes Road Buhl, Idaho 83316
An Employee-Owned Company AA/EOE/M/F/D/V

209 General
BARISTA
Looking for a Part-time Barista. Must be available afternoons & Sat. Call/apply at 208-738-8413

BEAUTY
Fantastic Sun's Stylist wanted. All shifts available. Contact Crystal 208-733-7267

FEEDLOT
Intestate Feedlot has a position available. Call 208-545-2221. EEO

GENERAL
We Need GREAT PAY
CDL - A Per Driver
\$9-\$14 DOE Food Processing (Shifts) \$6-\$9 Larders \$6-\$9 \$7-\$10 DOE Clerical \$8-\$10, Bilingual + a Const. Labor. \$10-\$12 DOE Warehouse \$8-\$10 Forklift Operator \$8-\$10 Immediate Hire Apply today 870 Blue Lakes N. 735-5999 So Habla Espanol Never a Fool

GARDNER
Bio-dynamic Gardener Manager Must have bio-dynamic training, greenhouse & outdoor gardening exp. Bellevue, Idaho Call 208-738-3170

GENERAL
Asst. Mgr. Mill Operator needed. Full-Time 5am to 1pm Some Saturdays. \$7.50/hr. Apply at 2584 Beryl Ave Twin Falls or call 208-735-8855

GENERAL
Attention: Immediate openings for Fish Processing and specialty available a/w/p. If interested please call Shirley or Michele 803 Staffing Services 208-738-4473

CLASSIFIEDS
It pays to read the classifieds!
Call The Times-News to place your ad 208-733-0931 ext. 2

Education
GOODING-Joint School District #231 "NEEDS YOU"
Accepting Apps for: Teaching-certified High School; Secondary Math, English & Spanish Elementary Special Ed Districts; District & Coaches Competitive Benefit Package, EOE
Please Apply to: 807 Idaho St. Gooding, ID 83330 208-634-4321

GENERAL
Asst. Mgr. Mill Operator needed. Full-time handworking dependable. Will work with mechanical and people skills. To work at rental yard. Must be able to lift 50 lbs plus and have a clean driving record. \$10.50 per hour. Apply at: Partner Center 851 Main Ave. E. No phone calls please.

0215: Sales

Magazine Advertising Sales... Southern Idaho Magazine wants you...

216: Trades

Automotive... Licensed Technician... Electrician... Mechanic...

216: Trades

HVAC... Twin Falls leading HVAC company... Journeyman installers...

401: School Instruction

Classifieds... It pays to read the fine print... Call Times-News...

502: Homes For Sale

Buhl... 5 bedroom 3 1/2 bath... Must see to appreciate...

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Buhl... New home 2 miles from Buhl... 3 bed, 2 bath...

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Answer here: Yesterday's Jumbles: LIGHT AROMA DETAIN GASKET. Answer: What the pupils experienced when they failed the multiplication test - HARD TIMES.

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TWIN FALLS 1518.00 5 bdrm, 3 1/2 bath, 2,172 sq. ft. 416 Plover St.

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TWIN FALLS 1418.00 4 bdrm, 2 bath, 2 car garage, 1924 sq. ft.

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THE ACES ON BRIDGE

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Common sense is not so common.

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The real secret of today's hand from the Spring Nationals at Dallas last year is that while forcing the long hand to ruff is a normal line of defense, it is rarely right to force the short hand to ruff. But sometimes it may be necessary if trumps are the only entry to dummy.

On this hand North's unselfish action kept his side from playing in the best contract of two spades. (Technically, eight tricks is the limit in that strain because of the diamond ruff).

Three diamonds is a poor spot by comparison — at least in theory. Note, though, that the diamond ruff is an entry to the dummy, and East strongly suspected that at trick one. What would that force do next to make declarer's life difficult?

Jeff Aker as East found the heart queen when he returned the heart queen, covered all around. Now the key to the defense was the heart. West trustfully continued hearts.

After all, if partner wanted to make dummy ruff, he had no objection, so he led the heart 10. Because East could not afford to overtake, he gave count, playing the seven. West now knew that declarer had one more heart, so he led a third round of the suit, which was ruffed in dummy. Because it would have done declarer no good to draw trumps, he exited dummy with a low spade. East topped up with his ace and led a fourth heart. Now, whatever declarer did, he had to lose a trump trick.

- WEST
A 9 7 2
V A 1 0 2
J 1 0
K Q 9 7 6

- EAST
A 5 3
K 7 5 4
Q 8 6 4
A 2

- SOUTH
J
K 9 3
A K Q 7 2
K 1 0 5 3

Vulnerable: North-South Dealer: East

The bidding:

South West North East
2 C 2 H 3 S 4 All pass

Opening lead: Club queen

BID WITH THE ACES

South holds:
J
K 9 3
A K Q 7 2
K 1 0 5 3

South West North East
1 Pass 1 Pass
2 Pass 2 Pass

ANSWER: Partner's heart bid is the fourth suit, forcing game and asking you to describe your hand further. The best way to do this is to jump to three no-trump, showing the equivalent of strong no-trump with 5-4 in the minors and a heart stop. If you bid two no-trump here, it either shows less, or promises 18-plus and the intention to bid again.

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